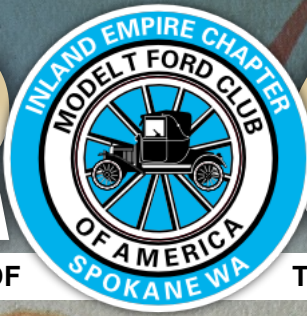


FENDER CHATTER



A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF

THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB



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John DeJong



Vice President
John Lynn



Secretary
Janice Hutchinson



Treasurer
Karma Roth

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We are the **Inland Empire Chapter** (Spokane) of the MTFCA and the MTFCI



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Dues

The yearly dues are \$20 per year from an individual or 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!

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All items to be published are **due before the 20th** of the month. Please send photos, articles and anything else for the newsletter to fenderchatter@gmail.com

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A Message From Your Club President:

We had a great meeting last month! It sure feels like this year is lining up to be a good one, with plenty of chances to get out and enjoy our Ts. We had a full agenda, but that's what happens when we skip a meeting (or two)—everything comes back at once, kind of like a Model T project.

Now's the time to start getting those cars ready for summer driving. And remember, you're never on your own—if something won't start, won't stop, or just won't cooperate, reach out. There's always someone in the club who's been there before and is happy to lend a hand (or tell a story about when it happened to them).

— John DeJong



Meeting Minutes

Minutes for the Friday, March 6, 2026 Meeting

President John DeJong called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., noting that it was his first meeting, and he felt like he didn't know what he was doing. We had one guest this evening: Tyler from Guardian Angel Homes in Liberty Lake invited us to come out on June 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to show our cars. There will be free food! The minutes from the last meeting were approved as printed in the *Fender Chatter*.

➔ **Secretary's Report:** It was confirmed that there will be no meeting in January, and that the Annual Banquet is on Friday, February 6. The minutes from the November meeting were approved as printed in the *Fender Chatter*.

➔ **Treasurer's Report:** Karma Roth's written report included information for January and February. We have received a thank you note for our donation to the INCCC Scholarship Fund, and Karma has scholarship applications if anyone needs to apply. She also has a form to make a donation to the Model T Museum if you wish to do so. A motion was passed to reimburse Karma for filing the Annual Report with the State of Washington and for the remaining banquet fees.

➔ **National Club:** Karma reported on a number of changes that the Model T Ford Club of America has made this year. They changed the qualifications to be covered by their liability insurance. It is no longer necessary to have at least 50% of our club members also be members of the MTFCA.

If we need an insurance binder to prove that we have insurance coverage for an event, we can apply for one. Karma is going to question if all of the club's officers still need to be members.

The MTFCA is now offering to extend personal liability coverage to club officers, but we did not feel this was needed.

Nan Robison volunteered to be our club contact with the MTFCA since she is serving as a board member. The MTFCA also requested that if we did not need to receive a hard copy of the Vintage Ford sent to our club that we let them know. Since we keep these copies in the club's library, we felt we should not opt out of this. The MTFCA has new rules for advertising events, which will not apply to our club at this time because we are not advertising any event with them. They are also suspending the lifetime memberships, although current lifetime memberships are being honored.

➔ **Roster:** The Roster is nearly complete, and Karma hopes to have it ready for the April meeting.

➔ **VP Report:** Vice President John Lynn had nothing to report. President John will be working with him to get ready for the Swap Meet in July. If you have ideas for a theme, let John or John know!

➔ **Tours:** Larry and Carole Mann will be hosting a Tour Planning Meeting on Sunday, March 15 at 2:00 to make plans for our 2026 tour season. If you have ideas, but can't make it to the meeting, please share them with Larry!

Larry also reported that the Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture would like us to participate in their Mother's Day Home Tour again this year. It is being held in Browne's Addition, and they would like to have T's on display in front of the Campbell House's Carriage House from 2 to 4 p.m. There will be live music, guided tours, and games, treats, and cake to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Campbell House becoming a museum. The home tour this year will show how things were different in the Age of Elegance and how they are the same. Free admission to the home tour if you bring your T!

Nan was contacted by Matt Hansen about holding a Model T Driving School for his students in the Priest River High School Parking Lot. Since a number of people expressed interest in doing this, she will follow-up with him to set a date – sometime in the spring before school ends. Other upcoming tours include June's Montana 500 in Conrad – Tom estimates there will be about seven cars from Spokane – and the Can-Am Tour, which is being planned for September.

➔ **Banquet:** Karma reported that the banquet did not make money, but we think was a fun evening that well worth the small cost to the club.

➔ **Sunshine:** Susie Carnegie reported that she is sending a card to Chuck Dyer's family.

➔ **Nametags:** If you need a new or replacement nametag, please contact Bill Barr.

➔ **Tuesday Nights:** Tom will not be at Antique Auto Ranch on March 17, since Crooked Kilt will be playing at a number of places that week, but Mark Hutchinson will have the Ranch open for Tuesday Night T's. On that note, Carla Carnegie brought in fliers with information about all the places we can see Crooked Kilt around St. Patrick's Day. (This information is now on our website.)

➔ **Library/Safety:** There was no report about the Library or Safety & Seminars.

➔ **Old Business:** The Refreshment List is making the rounds one more time. We just needed a couple more people to sign up for the coming year. (And we got them – thank you!)

➔ **New Business:** We had two Standing Committee chairperson positions to fill. Nan Robison volunteered to greet new members and guests. Since no one volunteered to be our representative at the Northwest Car Club Council meetings, John DeJong took this on. If anyone is interested in attending a meeting, they are held on the last Tuesday of the month at Darcy's Restaurant, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Come early to enjoy dinner before the meeting. You do not have to be a member of the INCCC to attend the meetings.

Jeff Hipp reported the sad news that long-time member Chuck Dyer has passed away. We last saw him at breakfast on our New Year's Day Tour. A motion to approved to send flowers and a card to the funeral home for his family.

Susie Carnegie says that Roger Repp broke his leg and is in rehab. We wish him a speedy recovery and hope to see him out and about again soon!

➔ **Entertainment:** Tom Carnegie said he was expecting to be coordinating entertainment, not doing the entertainment. If someone has anything they would like to do at a meeting, please let Tom know. In the meantime, he will do the doing. He settled on a recitation – from memory – of the poem "*The Elf Child*" by James Whitcomb Riley. The poem is about a girl named Alice, who had come to stay with the Rileys when she was orphaned. He originally called the subject of the poem *Little Orphan Allie*. A typographical error would turn this into *Little Orphan Annie*, and later inspired a character who became famous.

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For more tour or event details: check the [club website](#), [club Facebook page](#), or watch your e-mail.

The next regular club meeting is - April 3

The monthly meeting begins at 7:00 PM on the 1st Friday of each month at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church, 202 North Pines, Spokane Valley, WA.

You are welcome to join other T Club members for pre-meeting dinner 5:00-6:00 PM - **this month at Darcy's Restaurant** at 10502 E Sprague Ave. (University & Sprague) in the Spokane Valley. *We Hope to see you there!*

NOTE: Pre-meeting dinner venue is subject to change at the last-minute due to capacity. Check your email for any change prior to joining us. 



Model T Show, Tell and Share

2026 Tours and Events

FIRM CALENDAR DATES

- Wednesday, April 1 – Tour to a Ford plant that is still producing Model T's.
- Saturday, May 9 – Club safety inspections and potluck at Jim and Sandra Elenbaas' home
- Sunday, May 10 – MAC Mothers' Day Tour of historic homes in Browne's Addition
- Monday, May 18 – Driving school for kids at Priest River Lamanna High School
- Saturday, June 13 – Guardian Angels Car Show, Liberty Lake, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- June 20-25 – Montana 500
- Saturday, July 4 -- Ford Show at Brookdale Park Place, 601 S. Park Rd. (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.)
- Saturday-Sunday, July 11-12 – Swap Meet at the Spokane Fairgrounds
- Friday, August 7 – Model T Club Picnic at Nan Robison's house
- September 10-12 – Can-Am Tour

Some details about the MAC Mothers' Day Tour of historic homes in Browne's Addition:

- Sunday, May 10 at the Museum of Arts and Culture (MAC) in Browne's Addition
- This will be similar to last year's Millwood tour, but this year we will tour historic homes in Browne's Addition
- Plan to arrive by 11:30
- We will display our cars in front of the Carriage House from noon to 4:00
- We can have a maximum of ten cars
- Drivers and passengers receive a free ticket to view the homes
- Signups at the April meeting

Springtime in a Model T

Spring is here, the sky says "drive,"
I crank the motor and hopes revive.
It sputters, sneezes, shakes with flair,
Like it's allergic to fresh spring air.

Birds keep pace and look impressed,
Joggers pass me slightly less.

Modern cars behind me seethe,
As I redefine *leisurely*.
She clanks, she chatters, smells like a T—
Slow? Yes...But that's hisTory

—Poem provided by John DeJong

Tom Carnegie Reciting the 1885 Poem *The Elf Child* from Memory



Photos by Jeff Hipp

Club & Model T Related Events and Notices

Events Calendar

- Apr 3** **Spokane T Club Meeting**
- Apr 4** Spring Warm Up & Swap Meet- Eagle, ID
- Apr 10-12** Portland & PIR Swap Meets - Portland, OR
- May 1** **Spokane T Club Meeting**
- May 1-2** Pre-War Swap Meet - Shafter, CA (Bakersfield)
- May 1-2** Central Alberta Swap Meet - Red Deer, AB CA
- May 2** Tri-Cities Swap Meet - Kennewick, WA
- May 10** **T Club** MAC Tour of Homes - Browne's Addition
- May 16** Little Hershey Swap Meet - Belvidere, IL
- May 16** Wild Goose Bill Days Parade - Wilbur, WA
- May 16** 14th Harrington Car Show - Harrington, WA
- May 16-17** Seattle Auto Swap Meet - Monroe, WA
- May 18** **T Club** Driving School for Priest River, ID Lamanna H.S.
- May 31** 51st Mother Lode Swap Meet - Auburn, CA
- July 4** **T Club** Ford Show at Brookdale Park Place - Spkn, WA
- Jun 5** **Spokane T Club Meeting**
- June 6** 122nd Mule Days Parade - Reardan, WA
- Jun 13** **T Club** Guardian Angels Car Show-Liberty Lake, WA
- Jun 13** 19th Rickreall Swap Meet-Fairgrounds, Rickreall, OR
- June 19-20** Car d'Lane car Show - Coeur d'Alene, ID
- June 20-25** Montana 500 - Conrad, MT
- July 11-12** All Wheels Swap Meet - Spokane, WA
- July 18** Pioneer Days Parade - Davenport, WA
- July 19-24** MTFCI Annual Tour - London, Ontario, CA
- July 25** Rocky Mountain Swap Meet - Broomfield, CO
- Aug 7** **T Club** Annual T Club Picnic - Nan's Place
- Sept 10-12** **T Club** Can-Am Tour - Spokane, WA

NOTE: These events are subject to change - the info is what we know at the time of publication - **please confirm for yourself before travelling to, or attending any events.**

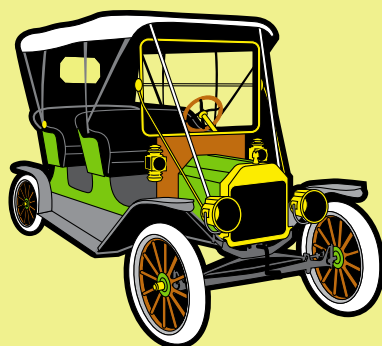
TUESDAY NIGHTS AT THE RANCH

Come on out on Tuesday evenings around 4:30 pm with your T parts that need to be worked on. Also join us **after** for dinner at McDonalds. antiqueautoranch.com
Note: Antique Auto Ranch is only open to the public on the first Tues of each month. Other times by appointment.



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[Inland Empire Model T Club](https://www.facebook.com/InlandEmpireModelTClub)

Last-minute notices, fun stuff, lots of photos, links, etc.



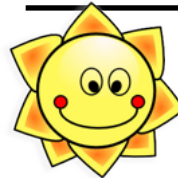
Tours and Activity Reports

Tours may be arranged at the last minute so check the club website Calendar of Events for the latest activities at spokanemodeltclub.com or our Club Facebook page # [Inland Empire Model T Club](https://www.facebook.com/InlandEmpireModelTClub)

For tours or events, contact Larry Mann or Steve & Julie Heid.

Wanda's Refreshments

- Apr:** Diana Barr & Cheri Storey
- May:** Nan Robison & Karma Roth
- Mar:** Ralph Brevik & Carla Carnegie



Sunshine Report —Susie Carnegie

- Condolence Card Chuck Dyer's family.
- Get Well Card to Carla Carnegie.

Any new updates will be announced at the next meeting or in the next newsletter.

If you know of a club member in need of some cheer - please let Susie know.

If it's stated in this newsletter that you were sent a Sunshine card, but never recieved one in the mail, please let Susie know. We don't want anyone left out.

GET YOUR T CLUB ID BADGES

If you are a new Spokane T Club member and need a club name badge, or need a replacement, please contact Bill Barr.



Meeting Minutes Continued...

→ **Tech Talk:** Chuck Preston demonstrated an electronic Ford coil tester that he built. It works like an oscilloscope and gives many kinds of data

→ **Show & Tell:** Steve Heid asked who remembered getting coupons for Legos with Velveeta Cheese. Lego has now produced a product for people who were kids back then. On March 1, Lego released their 1913 Model T Roadster. They are already sold out, but Steve brought his in to share. The drive line turns, the top goes down, the wheels turn, and there's an optional light kit.

→ **For Sale:** President John has embroidered Model T Club patches for sale for \$5 each. Myron Richardson has two Model Ts, fenders, and a whole barn full stuff if you are searching for something. Steve Heid is selling his '26 Coupe, which he calls a basket case.

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→ **Not For Sale:** Tom Carnegie and John Lynn have a new C-cab, about 80% restored.

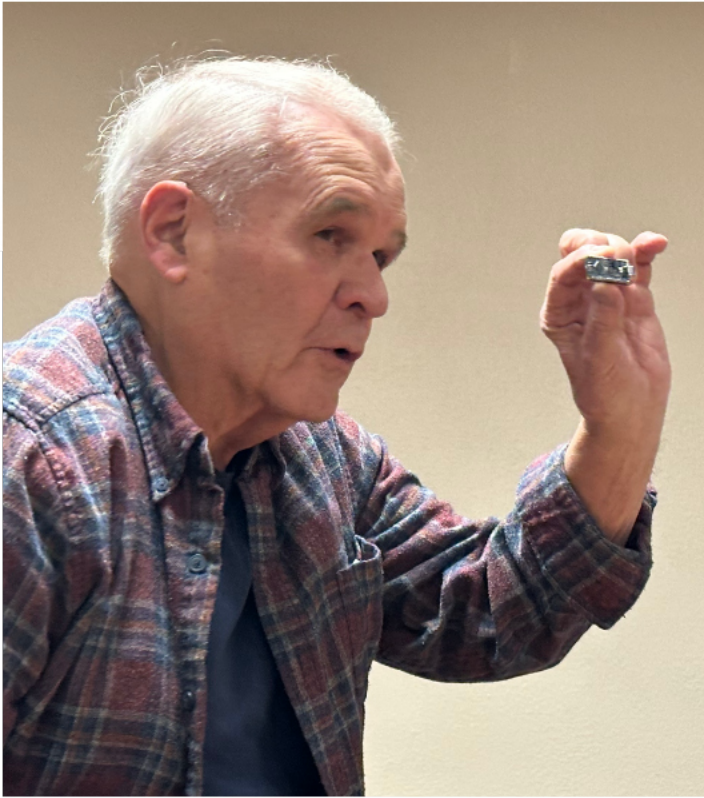
→ **Door Prizes:** were won by Rick Carnegie, Myron Richardson, John Lynn, Mark Hutchinson, Wanda Hummer John deJong, Tom Carnegie, Steve Heid, Bill Barr, and Larry Mann. The 50/50 drawing was won by Rich Hummer.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m. Good job, John!

Respectfully submitted, Janice Hutchinson, Secretary

Model T Show, Tell and Share

March T Club Meeting Show & Share



Above photo provided by Chuck Preston



Above: Chuck Preston Shows and demonstrates his "6 FACTs, Ford Arduino" coil tester and how he built it.
Below: Steve Heid shows off the new Lego Model T kit that he assembled.



Photos provided by Jeff Hipp

Model T Show, Tell and Share

March 10 - Tuesday Night at Antique Auto Ranch



Photos provided by Janice Hutchinson

Model T Show, Tell and Share

For Sale: April Special



Exceptionally rare Ford Fatman chassis prototype with original Chevy wheels and NOS tires. In immaculate, museum-quality condition. Rescued from a defunct banana plantation in the Southeastern corner of West Dakota. Free 5 gallon pail of nacho cheese-flavored ice cream goes to the lucky buyer. Asking only \$17,999.99. This one will go fast! Reasonable offers above \$17,999.98 considered. Please call Dwight Fnorkledornger at (509) 555-1212.



Photos provided by Dwight Fnorkledornger

For Sale • Wanted • Membership

When available, photos with these ads will be posted to our Club website spokanemodeltclub.com/for-sale.php

For Sale: 1926 TOURING PARTS CAR 90% done, body is nice and not rusty. A new restoration that was never able to be completed - purchased from an estate. Feb '27 frame, July '25 engine - appears to be rebuilt, '25 or older front axle, new fenders & splash aprons & running boards are possibly reproduction, new top, new seats, 1924 or older transmission cover, new 1922 or older short radiator, body looks to be 1927. Asking \$7,000 negotiable, plus the ride. ALSO **1915-16 FRONT RT FENDER & LEFT SPLASH APRON**, reproduction. Never mounted, very nice. Asking **HALF** of Lang's' price, negotiable, plus shipping. **Call Myron 208-773-9259** Hauser Lake, Idaho. Please leave a message and call back number if he doesn't answer.



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Condensed Version

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Due before Jan 31 of each year: join as a new member now, or bring this completed form to the next meeting, or mail to the address below with your dues of \$20.00 to:



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Changes since last year? Y / N (if No, please still fill out)

Name _____
 Name of Spouse/Partner: _____
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 Phone # _____
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Model T's Owned: (if you need more room, include seperately)

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R = Restored, U = Unrestored, O = Original
 PR = Partially Restored, BC = Basket Case

• **National MTFCA Membership:** (check, credit card, Paypal) mtfca.com/join-or-renew

• **National MTFCI Membership:** modelt.org/join-or-renew-membership

• You may also download and print this membership application form as a PDF from our club website: spokanemodeltclub.com/membership-form.php

Note: Our bank now requires any checks to the Spokane T Club must be made out to "IEMTFCA".

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T Club Officers at the March Meeting.

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