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Turkey Drive Event- No "Turkey"



This was the first annual Tom's Turkey Drive Car Show. The Second Harvest Food Bank, Tom Sherry and the Krem-2 staff, customers, and volunteers have all agreed that it should be an annual event. They have asked that we do it again. This Year's Drive was held on October 19-th and 20-th. It was a resounding success. The car show was held on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00. We had a total of 80 cars at all the show sites.

With the assistance of several car clubs, we put together a great show. The totals by Saturday night were 5150 turkeys and \$30,800.00 with more still coming in.

Thanks to Rosauers and Cravens Coffee for graciously providing coffee, hot chocolate and donuts to the volunteers and car owners. We made a great impression on the community. Everyone commented how nice it was to see the car clubs involved in such a worthwhile event. I believe that we as car owners have made a significant contribution to a worth while cause. At this time of year no one in this great country should go hungry. With your help, we were able to ensure that a lot of people will enjoy the holidays.

Thank you so much, and happy holidays. See you next year...we hope.



I have to admit to using a little coercion to collect donations in the parking lot



Stacy's 50th party brought out some surprise guests! It had been quite a while since some of us had seen the Sills and they had interesting stories to tell. Page 7



Coils Reborn! See Page 5 for the Whole Story

WHO YA GONNA CALL? OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN

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you'll be hurt and I don't want that. When all else fails, **the Club mailing address is:**

IEMTFCA: POB 11708

Spokane, WA 99211-1708

spokanemodeltclub.com

Vote here: Your absentee ballot ...

Candidates: for President:

Mike Robison:

Lee Burgess:

Candidates: for Vice President

Nan Robison:

Lee Burgess:

Treasurer: Allen Henzen Nominated alone.

Secretary: Jillian Caples Nominated alone.

Votes must arrive by the Dec. 3rd meeting, but we're easy—you can email them to our impartial and

outgoing President at:

efkicha@hotmail.com. Your other option is snail mail. Look directly above. There you will see printed the address to which the ballot should be mailed.

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Message from the Pres Dec. 4th

Greetings T Members,

Our club has more fun that any club in the area. Proof follows:

Our monthly meetings are always full house!

Our pre-meeting dinners are well attended!

After our meetings are adjourned, no one goes home. We stay and visit!

We have family participation!

We have young members becoming involved!

We have Ladies that drive Ts!

Tuesday work night at Antique Auto Ranch is well attended!

We have a great newsletter!

We have a great web site!

We have new cars being built!

We have some long-term car building projects that are making progress!

We have three new cars purchased this last month!

We have committed officers and chairmen!

We have had donations to the club!

A large number of our members belong to the Montana 500 club and attended their annual meeting. One of our members was elected as their new president!

The 2005 Fall Speedster meet is here and is being hosted by a joint effort of our club members and A club members. Our new Chairman is a T Club member!

A large number of our members and cars attended the Tom's Turkey drive to benefit the food bank. The car turn-out was chaired by one of our members!

We have had a number of great seminars for our members that have been well attended!

Good food is always present at our get-togethers!

We have a great attitude and we approach our challenges with a positive attitude!

Thank you all for belonging and for your contributions!!!!!

Minutes of the November 5 Meeting 2004

President Gene Kicha called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Along with other featured topics to be covered at this meeting, Gene stated a generous anonymous donation of a printer was recently made to the club. Heartfelt thanks to whomever is responsible for this greatly appreciated gift. Marith's new Fender Chatter format came out great!

Steve Heid welcomed Joe Swanson's folks Herb and Mary, Dick and Doty Dodd, as well as Rob Flesner's friend Phyllis.

Dick Dodd took this opportunity to introduce himself and his wife who are involved in the Misfires Auto Club. They are selling raffle tickets with proceeds to go towards covering expenses of the "Calendar of Events" that's put out each year. The winner of the raffle drawing will have a picture of their vehicle featured on the front of the next calendar. Dick extended a special thank you to

the club for our part in the Krispy Kreme event stating it couldn't have gone any better. Dick noted the "Show No Shine," which Charlie Almeda has previously reviewed, will be a fun event to attend. He also announced it's time to elect board members for the Car Club Council and reviewed the nominees currently listed.

It was motioned, seconded, and passed that the October meeting minutes be approved as printed in the Fender Chatter.

Vice President Mike Robison noted that Frank Hatfield's collection of T parts donated by Frank's family have been inventoried by the appointed committee (Gene Kicha, Lee Burgess, Tom Carnegie and Mike Robison). The committee came up with the plan to have a silent auction of these items at an upcoming safety seminar. Of note, amongst the donated parts, a complete ruckstell differential could be assembled and sold as a complete unit. Gene Kicha volunteered to put it together. Discussion took place regarding selling the ruck-

stell to someone local and keeping it in the community, versus selling it on Ebay, versus selling it on Ebay with the stipulation of giving locals first shot at buying it before opening it to the general public. The motion was made to have Gene Kicha put the ruckstell together. This motion was seconded and passed. Next, the motion was made to table the decision of how to handle selling the ruckstell until it has been assembled and is ready to sell. This motion was seconded and passed. Thank you to this committee for their time and expertise.

Mike Robison reported that the club's check for participating in the



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Swap Meet is on its way. Allen Henzen suggested that in the future we plan to keep record of total hours worked at the Swap Meet to assist in better payment received.

Allen Henzen passed out an income statement for the perusal of those present, and gave the treasury report. The motion was made that the club cover this months expenses to include the hall rental fee, a case of paper, and cards for Sunshine dispersal. This motion was seconded and passed. Regarding the club website, Allen encouraged members to be sure to let him know of any updates he can post on our website.

Jean Almeda reported sending out get well cards to Bob Sills and Don Nelson. Sympathy cards were sent to Bill and Sharon Mullins & family, and the Mullenix family. A thank you card, along with pictures of the driving school event, went to Lisa Beckman who provided the field for our driving school. Your assistance in helping Jean keep upto-date on members in need of a Sunshine card would be greatly appreciated. If you know of a club member who is ill, undergoing surgery, or has lost a loved one, please contact Jean Almeda.

Allen Henzen gave the "printer and budget" report. He stated the Fender Chatter will be printed in black/white for the November, December and January issues to determine the cost. At this point in time the following information was noted:

Black/White print = 2 cents per page 16 cents per newsletter \$735.00 per year

Color. A page = stamp sized section at 12 cents each \$1,900.00 per year

Color. 50 cents to \$1.00 per half page. Printing the cover page (half page) in color only, and the remainder of the newsletter in black/white: \$1,200.00 to \$1,700.00 per year

Allen has more detailed figures on file from the committees research. At this point the committee is awaiting results of the November-December-January black/white study. A big thank you to this committee for its extensive research.

Marith McCoul reported that with the new web format there are a great deal of limitations on what she can do with the Fender Chatter in comparison to what she's been able to do in the past. It was agreed though, that this last issue turned out great.

Erik Hutchinson headed the tour review. The Driving School was noted to be a big success. Swanson said the final road cleanup of the year went great with lots of treasures discovered. Tom Carnegie reviewed the Economy Run stating 13 T's joined in on the fun. It was a fantastic run with a grand finale of a choice between lunch in the restaurant, or out back under a T tarp lean-to enjoying manifold heated hot dogs (see pictures on the web). Alan Stacey headed the tour to Jim and Margaret Sills home, to Deer Park, and the museum. It was a wonderful tour with a total of 6 T's.

Upcoming tours include:

November 20 th – Tom's Turkey Drive. Meet at U-City Rosauers at 9:00 a.m. The goal this year is to have 6,000 turkeys donated to the cause. Alan Stacey encourages everyone to attend and represent our T club

December 12 th – Christmas Lights Tour. Soup provided by Janice & Mark Hutchinson. More details yet to come.

Lee Burgess reported that approximately 20 people showed up for Tom Carnegie's seminar on bands. It was a great turnout for an informative seminar.

Lee Burgess has further seminars on the schedule to include:

November 21 st - 11:30 a.m. Jim Patterson will review magneto recharge in T without tearing it apart, as well as rebuilding coils.

December 4 th - 10:00 a.m. Dusty McCoul to review basic body and fender work.

These seminars will be held in Lee's shop. Watch for emails on further details.

Jim Patterson stated he's open for suggestions and ideas regarding the club Roster. Please contact Jim with any format changes or general suggestions/ideas you have.

Joyce Brandvold continues to encourage pictures be donated from new members, as well as any pictures taken at club tours/events for the club album. Pictures of projects in progress would be a welcome addition.

Our club library is located in Gene Kicha's shop. Gene Kicha and Jim Patterson have put together a collection of past Fender Chatters to add to the club library. Gene welcomes you to come by and enjoy it.

Betty Patterson reported that the 2005 banquet is scheduled for January 8 th at the Rendezvous with cocktails at 6:00 p.m., and dinner at 7:00 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by the Strolling Strings. Tickets are now available at \$20.00 per ticket. Please contact Betty to get your tickets in advance. Tickets will also be available at our next meeting.

(More Minutes) Charlie Almeda reported that our club currently has 6 units of blood to its credit. Regarding the Car Club Council, Charlie reminded us of The Inland Northwest Car Club Scholarship Fund Auction Reunion on November 6 th at Mukogawa Fort Wright. Also, on February 26 th there will be a "Show No Shine" event at Maribeau Park Hotel to include dining, dancing, and a silent auction. Charlie then put in a reminder to be saving pennies to donate to the upcoming spring Penny Drive.

Old Business:Covered above to include Frank Hatfield's T parts donated, inventory taken, and Gene Kicha to put the Ruckstell together. Allen Henzen reviewed the research findings and current plans regarding the Fender Chatter budget.

New Business: According to our bylaws, a ballot needs to be posted in the Fender Chatter prior to the election to allow absentees the opportunity to send in their votes. Because this was not accomplished in our last Fender Chatter issue, the motion was made to have the absentee ballot posted in our next Fender Chatter issue, then conduct the election at our December meeting. This motion was seconded and passed. Gene Kicha noted that Bill Mullins respectfully declined the presidential nomination made at the last meeting.

Alan Stacey suggested that this year our club donate money to go towards Tom's Turkey Drive rather than sponsoring a "Christmas family". Following discussion the motion was made that we donate \$200.00 to Tom's Turkey Drive. This motion was seconded and passed.

Alan Stacey announced his 50 th birthday and invited everyone to the party to be held on the 6 th of November at 4:00 p.m. at his home.

Allen Henzen asked that if you paid your dues at the October meeting please contact him to assist in clarifying payments made.

Car Project Reports: Steve Heid said he could use some help on his T and was invited to the weekly Tuesday night gathering at Antique Auto Ranch. Jillian Caples recently bought a '24 T roadster to put together and Destiny is currently working on the frame and axles for her T.

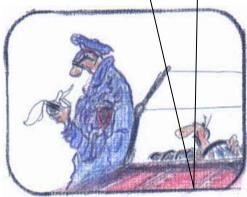
Dave Robison shared the story of his T. Apparently his T was snuck out of his shop, taken to the Tuesday Antique Auto Ranch Night, and fixed up by his son Mike and cohelpers. Dave extended a special thank you to everyone involved in this project, they did an awesome job.

Drawing: This month's winner is Allen Henzen.

For tonight's program Tom Carnegie gave a grand recitation of "Dark Town Poker Club."

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Respectfully submitted,

"How do you expect me to average 55 miles an hour if I don't speed?"



Magneto, Tie-wiring, and Coil Rebuilding Seminar

Over 24 Model T Club members attended the most recent Seminar held in Lee Burgess' fantastic new shop on Sunday, Nov 21st. with everyone walking away with a smile on their face, because they accomplished what they set out to do by learning something new, or by leaving with a full stomach, thanks to the great deli food trays available.

Jim Patterson started out with the magneto recharging seminar where he used his own T as the test specimen and he successfully gained about 33% more voltage off his nominally weak magnet (from 12 to approximately 18 volts output at medium RPM). Norm Warren was able to get his TT magneto working for the first time since hes owned the truck, so he was extremely happy!

Next, Alan Stacey demonstrated proper wire tying procedures for those hard to tie bolts in your transmission and rear-ends. A simple and reasonable tool available from Harbor Freight makes the job extremely easy and very professional looking.

Finally, after a much needed lunch break, everyone went back to work for Jim's coil rebuilding seminar. John Linn and Mel Stone brought coils to rebuild while other members brought their coils in to check out on the original hand-cranked Model T coil tester. It was a great afternoon with lots of tire kicking and six women participated, a great turn-out. Thanks to everyone!

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Deer Park Back Roads with Stacys and Sills

'Way back in October (the 24th to be exact) the Stacys and Sills held a fall colors and farm museum tour. Here's their story:

Breakfast was supposed to be at 9 at Rosauers Restaurant at the Y. However, they practice Snail Service so it took a while. This gave us plenty of time to chat. We started with five cars, but John Wyman developed a slight oil leak (4-quarts at a time). He had to pull out to go get his trouble trailer. (Alas, poor John, we know T's well.)

We then went to Jim and Margaret Sills place, where they warmed us with cookies and coffee. Jim was kind enough to show us their collection, and he fired up the '17 for the second time this year. He and Margaret then led the tour to the Farm Implement Museum in Deer Park.



We had a great time there, reviving old memories while viewing the items on display.



From there we went for a chilly but scenic tour down the back roads of Deer Park with the Sills in the lead. The fall colors rewarded us for our cold feet and a warm lunch at Zips gave us courage for the tour back to Spokane.

Suzie and I would like to thank all those that attended, especially the Sills, for opening their home and leading the tour. It was really fun having them with us again. I believe this tour was a good example of why we own and drive T's.

Allen Stacy

Thank you

The entire Mullins family wants to thank all the T club members who called, prayed, and wrote in an attempt to help them through their time of sorrow. While we all know that nothing can really help, it's the thought that counts, and they thank everyone who made the effort.

In Passing ...

Rachel Mullenix passed away Oct 20th at age 92. She is listed in the T Roster as a Lifetime member of our club. A few of the "old timers" will remember her and husband Cecil. They were both dear souls. Our condolences go out to their family and friends.

Poor Fido:

Bob and Joyce have neat little garages in which they keep their T's. One day while working on one, Bob ran into the house for a minute, leaving it running. While he was engaged in the house, the doorbell rang. He opened the door to find an upset individual who exclaimed, "Mister, I just wanted to tell you that your dog must have swallowed a bone. He's out in that kennel, gasping and choking to death.

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Calendar



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.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR THE NATIONAL CLUB:				
Name				
City	State Zip			
Phone Number:				
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US: \$29.00	Visa, Mastercard, and Discover cards accepted			
Send to:	The Model T Ford Club of America			
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December 3	Regular Meeting
December 4	Body seminar
December 12	Christmas Lights
Jan. 1	New Years Tour
Jan. 1	National Registration. You can't mail sooner or later.
Jan. 8	Banquet at the Rendez- vous Room on Trent
Feb. 4	Regular Meeting
Feb. 26	Show No Shine

Dinner at the Chinese Gardens at 5:30 before the meeting as usual. Meeting at 7:30 every one bring goodies.

Calendar Details

Centerville, IN 47330

Body Seminar is Dec. 4 at Lee Burgess' garage starting at the usual seminar time. The intended piece of sheet metal to be victimized has been chosen, but you may certainly bring along your own body tools, should you posses them, and hammer along. Perhaps you can form a band??

Christmas Lights Tour, Dec. 12 will start at 3 PM at Hutchin-

son's mansion at 6003 S Mt. Vernon. We will stuff ourselves with Janice's award winning goodies and then venture forth to see the lights and hopefully be seen in our decorated cars.

The **New Years Day Tour** details will be announced soon. We all know the general date and time.

The January Banquet is on the 8th of Jan. at the Rendezvous Restaurant 1003 E Trent. It starts at

6:00 PM with a no-host Cocktail hour followed by 7:00 dinner. Please pay for your tickets at the next meeting or send a check made out to IEMTFC in the amount of \$20 each to Betty Patterson at 11709 S Greenfield Lane; Medical Lake, WA 99022.

Please note the above change: We WILL have dinner as usual before the December meeting at the Chinese buffet. But do remember to bring a plate of goodies to be shared post meeting.

Stacy hits 50—joins AARP

In the big party of the month, Allen became old enough to leave his mother. It was good to see the Sills out and about for the occasion, though we elderly folks who had already achieved the status of Great Age had to hightail it out of there as the party got really rollin'. Congrats', Allen! You and Suzie always make a dull day (or evening) bright.



UNIQUE CONVERSION IDEA:

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FOR SALE: Small drum Ruckstell \$700; 25 Roadster w ruckstell, rockies, in storage 10 yrs. Bob 253-941-0674 \$8,000 OBO (Tacoma)





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