

# FENDER CHATTER



A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF

THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB

## Are You Ready for the Can-Am Tour?

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# TOURING SEASON

IS STILL GOING STRONG



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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!

## Submissions

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](mailto:fenderchatter@gmail.com)

## National Clubs

We are a chapter of the MTFCA and the MTFCI



## On the Cover:

Mark and Janice Hutchinson on the July Flashy Chassis tour

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## A Message from our Club's President:

The annual T-club potluck was great. It was a beautiful, warm afternoon and a sizeable group of members and cars attended. I want to thank all those that pitched in to help clean up after the meeting. I appreciated all the help.

Next is the Can-Am tour. I'm looking forward to it and to have a great tour with our Canadian Model T friends.

I hope we have some representation at the annual Ford Show. It is closer this year and they have revised the award categories to better represent the various model years. — Lee



# Minutes from the Last Club Meeting

**August 5, 2016**

No minutes from the August T Club Picnic



## Club Banquet

### 2017 T Club Officer Installation Banquet

Just a friendly reminder that the 2017 Installation Banquet will be here before we know it. This years Banquet is on January 21, 2017 at the usual Ramada Inn at the Airport. Start time 6 pm with dinner at 7pm. This year it is \$35 per person with pretty much same menu as in the past. Any questions call Steve Heid. 509-928-0215. Thanks — Steve

photo by Lee Burgess

**Brand New!  
Spokane T Club T-shirts!**



Order your t-shirt now! Available in sizes from infant to 4X and various colors. Contact Betty Patterson to get yours.

# Tom Carnegie's Model T Stereo Sound System

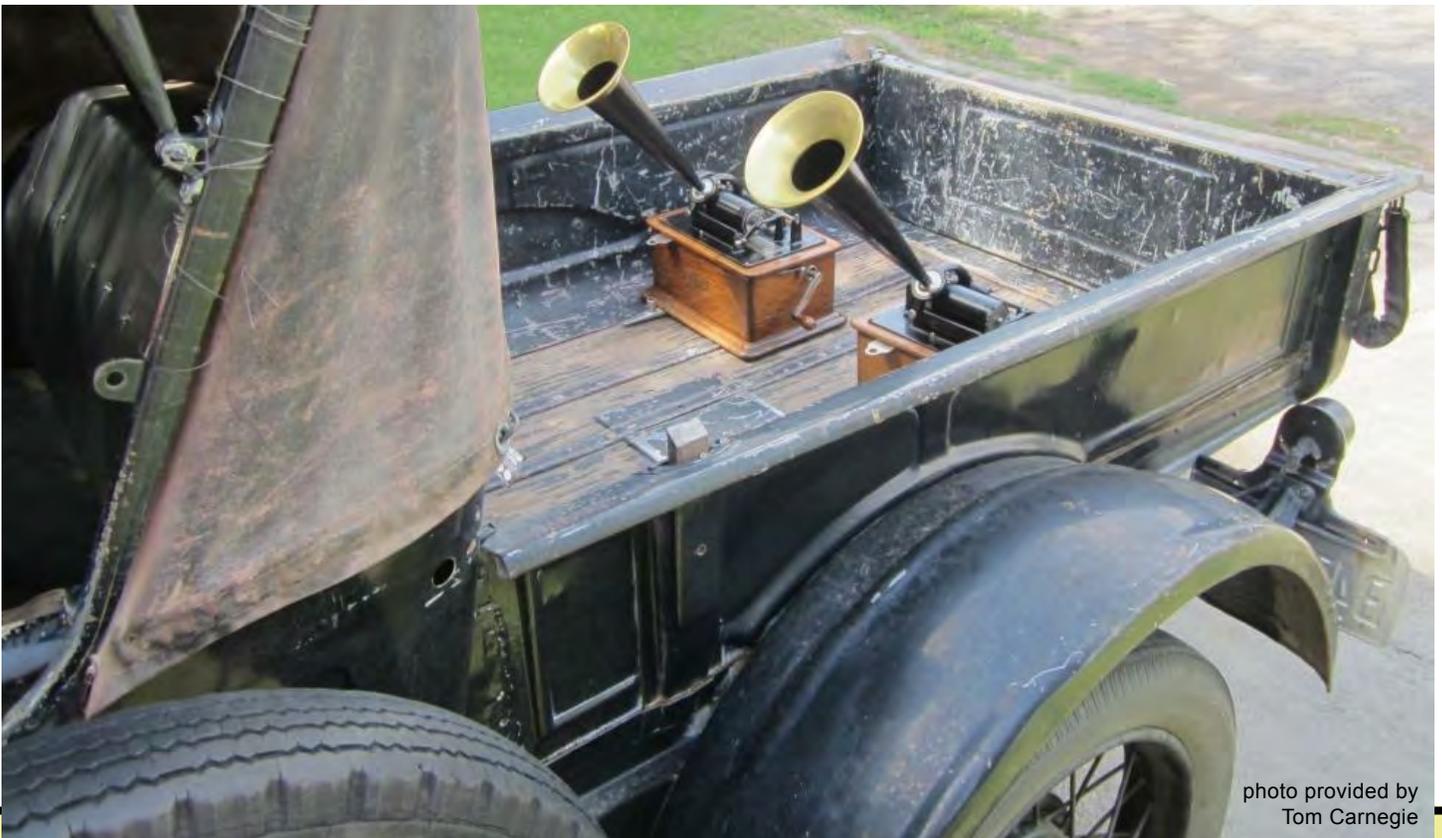


photo provided by Tom Carnegie

## Monthly Meetings

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.

**The next regular club meeting is September 2, 2016.**

You are welcome to join other T Club members for pre-meeting dinner 5:30-6:00 PM at Conley's Restaurant next to the White Elephant just east of Pines at 12622 E. Sprague in the Valley. **We Hope to see you there!**

# Club & Model T Related Events



Our club is hosting a 2nd big tour - the **Can-Am Spokane tour Sept 15-17.**

Registration has closed

**See you there!**

Registration Info & Registration Forms and more information are available on our club's website & Facebook page event section.

Have questions? Please contact Mark Hutchinson 509-220-0892, or Janice Hutchinson 509-448-2819, or email [hutchje@comcast.net](mailto:hutchje@comcast.net). Hope to see everyone there!

[spokanemodeltclub.com/can-am-tour-2016.php](http://spokanemodeltclub.com/can-am-tour-2016.php)

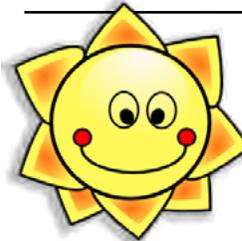
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## Candy's Cookie Corner

Sept Nan Robison & Candy Burgess

Oct Diane Swanson & Norma Skidmore

Nov Rebecca Hutchinson & Hal Moffat



## Sunshine Report

- Get well card to Diane Swanson
- Thank you card to Lee & Candy Burgess for graciously hosting the picnic

Any new updates will be announced at the next meeting ~Susie

## Events Calendar

Sept 2 **Spokane T Club meeting**

Sept 3-4 34th NWVS Endurance Run CHEHALIS, WA

Sept 10 33rd Oregon High Desert Swap Meet-Redmond, OR

Sept 15-17 **Can-Am Tour** (*We're hosting this year*)

Sept 24-25 51st Harvest Swap Meet - Chehalis, WA

Oct 5-8 Hershey Swap Meet - Hershey, PA

Oct 7 **Spokane T Club meeting**

Oct 8-9 Monroe Fall Swap Meet - Monroe, WA

Nov 4 **Spokane T Club meeting**

Nov 19 39th Albany Indoor Swap meet - Albany, OR

Dec 2 **Spokane T Club meeting**

Jan 21 Annual Club Officer Installation Banquet

**✂ Newsletter Note:** The digital version of this newsletter has been created as an interactive PDF. All web and email links should work in desktop, mobile & tablet browsers. **However**, on Kindle devices, it is viewable, but interactivity is disabled until Amazon and Microsoft fix this issue.

## 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](http://antiqueautoranch.com)

More info on Spokane Model T Club website: [spokanemodletclub.com](http://spokanemodletclub.com)

And available on

[Facebook: Inland Empire Model T Club](#)



## 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](http://spokanemodeltclub.com) or our Facebook page [f Inland Empire Model T Club](#)

**Contact Nan Robison for tours (see pg 2)**



"Like Us" on Facebook [Inland Empire Model T Club](#)

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



# Photos from the Annual T Club Picnic

*photos by Jillian Robison*



## T Club Member Profile



### Jeff, Tammy & Parker Hipp *written by Jim Patterson*

September's "Member Profiles" are long-time members, **Jeff and Tammy Hipp**, along with their 11½ year old son, **Parker**. Jeff's interest in Model T's go back to his childhood days when he learned about Henry Ford and his Model T's. He attended a few swap meets in the early 1980s with his dad and grandpa which further inspired his wanting a Model T.

Jeff and Tammy met at a high school dance at Central Valley High School in 1987 when Jeff was a senior and Tammy a sophomore. They have been members of the Spokane Model T Club since 1989 when Jeff saw an ad for a Model T in the local paper. He went to see it and it turned out to be T Club member Dave Swenson's 1925 basket case Touring. Jeff and his dad, Earl, bought it so that they would have a father/son project to work on.

Around 1993, one of Jeff's cousins in Ellensburg also wanted a T. They found a 1925 Roadster in Spokane, and in exchange for Jeff

& Earl rebuilding it, they would get the spare 1927 chassis it came with. Then a year or so later, Earl bought a 1923 Touring himself that they both restored. Jeff also has a mid '20s Model T enclosed delivery body (slated to be restored sometime soon, hopefully) which apparently was home to a skunk that ran out between and around Jeff's legs when the body was lifted by a tractor in the field.



Out of high school, Jeff went to Spokane Falls Community College, majoring in the Fine Arts and Graphic Design, and Tammy attended Spokane Community College majoring in Dental Assisting. As you would anticipate, after college graduation and a few years of working, Jeff and Tammy got married in July 1993.

Due to important career growth opportunities and resulting job changes, Jeff and his family made major long distance move to Atlanta, GA in 1996 (after the Olympics) where Jeff attended a *(continued next page)*



**Blacksburg, Virginia next to a friend's DeLorean in 2011**



**Spokane St. Patrick's Day parade circa 1993**



**Parker in Georgia 2007**

***The Hipps continued...***

graduate school for design and took a job at a well-known design studio - Tammy found work with a great dentist. They ended up staying for 11 years in Atlanta (*which grew by more than 1 million people while they were there*). A few years later, in 2005, they celebrated the birth of their son, Parker, who is now taking on his parents love and interest in antiques and their Model T. Parker is also quite a good student and athlete - playing lacrosse (since he was 4), baseball, and now also ice hockey. They moved to Christiansburg, Virginia in 2007 where they lived for 6 years when Jeff switched jobs to another design studio. The three of them finally moved back to the Pacific Northwest, in October 2013, when he accepted a job as a graphic design manager for Washington State University in Pullman. Tammy remains in her career field working for a Pullman dentist. In 2015 they purchased a home there built in 1889 and are working on restoring it to its original glory. Did I mention that they also collect & sell antiques?

Their '25 Touring has been a bit "under-the-weather" lately with three blown inner tubes (*which Jeff has been putting off changing because he doesn't look forward to taking off the stuck clincher tires that have been on since 1990*). But the not-so-subtle heckling from friends (Erik) to get them changed and join club tours again may be working. Next tour season for sure.

During those years in the eastern states, Jeff helped create award-winning print and web-site designs for such renowned institutions as National Geographic, Smithsonian Institute, National Geographic Channel, The Biltmore Estate, VH1, AARP,

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**As it all started in 1989**



**July 31, 1993**



*Rockford, Washington parade - circa 1993*

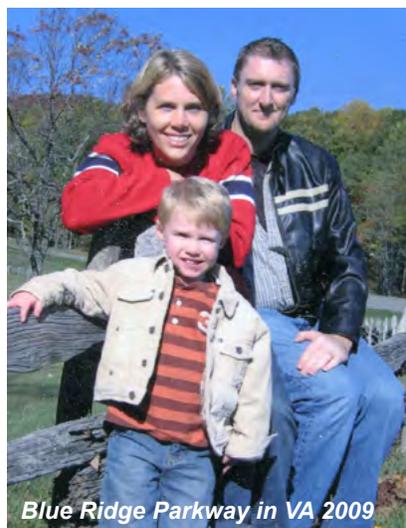
**The Hipps continued...**

Tweetsie Railroad, many higher-ed institutions, and many other nationally ranked organizations like The Carter Center (where he personally met with Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter twice). This entire time, Jeff and Tammy continued their quest of staying involved with the Model T, and they maintained their membership with the Spokane Model T Club for most of the time between 1996 and 2013 where Jeff provided the monthly cartoon, *Jesting Jitneys*. He now helps manage the creation and design of graphics for all of WSU's various departments, many of which you have likely seen on TV or in area newspapers and brochures without knowing the graphics may have been Jeff's own creations.

A short time after returning to the Pacific Northwest, Jeff and Tammy took on the onerous task of editing and publishing the Spokane T Club's monthly newsletter, the *FENDER CHATTER*, and he has brought about several positive changes to enhance the readability, quality, appearance, and length of our newsletter. He has created a full color 10-page magazine-style newsletter that has an enhanced email edition as well as a black & white paper copy edition. Jeff has presented many other new ideas to our club and through the *FENDER CHATTER*, has attracted national attention to our club.

Jeff's most recent contributions were all of the color and black/white Model T photo graphics he provided for our club booth at last month's Spokane Swap Meet and creation of the unique graphics for the club's new t-shirts, the logo designs for the recent 4th of July tour and the upcoming Can-Am tour in September.

Thanks, Jeff and Tammy, for your many contributions to our club. We are glad you're back in the northwest with us and wish you and your family best wishes for a fun and fruitful careers in Pullman and many good times touring with the club in the future.



*Blue Ridge Parkway in VA 2009*



*Parker 2016*



*Parker minding the T at a show in Virginia 2010*

# For Sale • Wanted • Services

**Wanted: Model T storage** We just added a third old car to our collection, which really doesn't work for a two-car garage. To avoid selling one of them, we need inexpensive covered storage for one Model T. Can anyone help us or have suggestions? Larry & Carole Mann, 509-290-5138, Larrymann02@aol.com



**For Sale:** Brass Aeromore Exhaust whistle with cutout valve to install into your Model T exhaust pipe. Used very little. Sounds like a big locomotive coming down the road. Model A up-draft carburetor with adapter fitted to use on a Model T. Also included are misc, clamps, brackets, exhaust pipe, Zenith B-2 carburetor (including factory repair manual), special air/fuel adjust rod, manifold, etc. to install everything on your late Model T. All of the above for \$350.00 or best offer. Call Frank Baker in Kennewick, WA - phone 509-783-0380.



**For Sale:** 1915 Touring – Older mid-1970's restoration which included professionally rebuilt wheels, Dec 1915 engine rebuilt in 1974, new transmission bands, new top, upholstery, tires, and wiring; Car has been kept inside clean dry garage ever since. Driven approximately 200-500 miles annually in 1980's & 90's and has not been out of the garage since early 2000's. Car in good running condition; used as a prop in a commercial Hollywood movie back in the early 80's. \$10,000 firm. For info, contact Jim Patterson – phone 509-953-9485; email at [jimbetpatter@gmail.com](mailto:jimbetpatter@gmail.com)

**When available, photos with these ads will be posted to our Club website**  
[spokanemodeltclub.com/for-sale.php](http://spokanemodeltclub.com/for-sale.php)

## Membership Application

If you have already renewed for this year, please pass this form to someone who also shares our interest of the Model T Ford.

**Due Jan 31 of each year**, or join as a new member now, please complete this form and bring to the next meeting, or mail with your dues of \$20.00 to:



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Model T's Owned:

| Year  | Body Style | Condition |
|-------|------------|-----------|
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| _____ | _____      | _____     |
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R = Restored, U = Unrestored, O = Original  
 PR = Partially Restored, BC = Basket Case

I agree to having my name printed in the Club Directory  
 Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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[mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm](http://mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm)

**National MTFCI Membership:** [modelt.org](http://modelt.org)

**You may also download and print this as a PDF from our club website:**

[spokanemodeltclub.com/membership-form.php](http://spokanemodeltclub.com/membership-form.php)

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Some of the cars at the Club Picnic - August 5, 2016 — photo by Jillian Robison

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