

# Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club

## Chattering Bands

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#### Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club

The Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club was established in 1971 and is dedicated to the preservation of the Model T Ford. Membership is unrestricted as to location and is open for all interested persons. The ownership of a Model T is not a requirement.

#### Meetings:

7:00 PM on the last Wednesday of each month  
Location: the VFW American Legion  
8990 Kruitof Way, Fair Oaks, Ca. 95628

#### Dues:

Annual dues are \$25 for the calendar year and are due the First of January. You may pay by cash (\$25) or check (made out to SVMTC) at the monthly meeting, or mail check (no cash, please) to our treasurer, John Saylor at 7304 Goldwood Way, Citrus Heights, Ca 95610. Mid-year enrollment will be prorated.

#### Publication copy

Any material you wish to be published in the Bands must be received by the Editor by the 5th of the Month.

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#### Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club Membership Application

New  Renewal  Renewals due Jan. 1st

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

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**IMPORTANT STATEMENT:** This information is for the club insurance:

I do  I do not  belong to MTFCI

Fill out completely and mail to:

Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club  
% John Saylor  
7304 Goldwood Way  
Citrus Heights, Ca 95610

#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS Annual Dues

*Model T* Ford Club of America MTFCA.COM --- US \$50

*Model T* Ford Club International MODEL.T.ORG --- US \$40

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

The MTFCA

PO Box 996

Richmond, IN 47330-0126

The MTFCI

PO Box 355

Hudson, NC 28638-0355

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE****April 2023**

Last Saturday, we attended the Memorial for Bill Millard, such a brilliant man and such a nice event. When I was first president of this club, I relied on Bill to give presentations to the Club. No matter the subject, he always made it interesting.

Our *Model T* is still ailing, however, a man named "Dude" is going to be fixing whatever is broken, so hopefully we will be back on the road soon.

I have five cars going to the school on the 28th, Friday for the Transportation Parade. Let me know if you want to go also.

The Awful Waffles are going well. Stay tuned for the next date.

Regards,

**Kate Bandy**

**VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Hello everyone and Happy **SPRING!**

We will be participating in a transportation show for a group of kindergarten children this Friday, April 28th from 9am-11am at McClellan Park, 5640 Dudley Blvd. This is an outreach program to introduce youngsters to some of the first cars on the road. Hope you can join us.

Our tour for May will be on Saturday May 20, 2023. We will be going to the Amador Flower Farm, meeting at the *Kostiv's* house and then driving there together. Everyone will need to bring a picnic lunch. I will have details and sign-ups at this Wednesday's meeting.

See you Wednesday,

**~ Debbi Kostiv**

**March 29, 2023  
Meeting Notes  
Sacramento Valley Model T Club**

by Wendel and Michele Waltz

President *Kate Bandy* opened the meeting. There were no visitors. The bar at the VFW hall where we meet is closed for a couple months; it seems they had an issue with an inspector.

*Debbi Kostiv*, VP and Tour Chair, took the floor and remarked.

The state Capitol tour Thursday, March 23, was a good time for all. Capitol management reneged on furnishing a decent tour guide for us, but *Debbi* stepped up to be our personal guide. Two highlights of the tour were watching our politicians in action as they were in session and admiring the inlaid tile state seal on the ground floor of the building. Watching our legislators was a lowlight as well as a highlight because more than a few appeared to be

reading the newspaper, dinking on their computer, chatting while other members were speaking. The state seal was restored a few years ago and *Debbi's* father was one of the artists on the restoration.

Saturday April 1 is opening day for the Pony League at Louis Pasteur Middle School. Several members have signed up to show their cars; *John Saylor* will bring the signboard and some flyers. [Click here to see photos.](#) (Editor's note: Thank you *John* for posting photos.)

The scavenger hunt scheduled for April 8th has been postponed since we are invited to participate in the Mother Lode Club annual shakedown tour on Saturday, April 22. The tour will leave at 9:15am from McBean Park in Lincoln. We'll travel toward and around the Sutter Buttes and stop for lunch at Lumberjacks in Yuba City.

Music was presented by the Folsom Harmony Express barbershop singers, who performed "My Wild Irish Rose" and "By My Side".

**John Saylor**, Treasurer, in addition to assuring us that the treasury was in fine shape, remarked that the Horseless Carriage Club has very kindly donated \$100.00 to the **Steve Rowe Project**, in memory of **Milt Webb**.

Sunshine Lady **Jean Lanham** told us that **Raul Cornejo** as well as **Stevie** and **Dennis Furr** were under the weather.

**John Anderson** talked about his time in the American River Fire Department and displayed several mementos from that time in his life. His presentation was followed by a lively and practical discussion of the use, display and virtues of different types of fire extinguishers. **Wendel** shared that just a couple of weeks ago he had to deploy a fire extinguisher when the air cleaner in his 1968 Karmann Ghia caught fire; it worked and the car had only minor damage—but powder residue from the extinguisher was *everywhere*.

**Kate** had an email from an elementary school requesting cars to show at McClellan Park

April 28, in conjunction with a kindergarten parade. Several members showed interest in participating.

**Awful Waffles** have been suspended at **Mac's** hangar due to rain, wet conditions and/or cold weather. However, **Harvey Bandy** needed help with his very sick engine, so an A/W was arranged at **Harvey's** house as a noon work session March 31. **Kate** generously offered to furnish lunch.

**Rick** and **Marilyn Kaspar** attended the **Model T** national club winter session in Las Vegas and found it quite interesting. During the closing banquet **Rick** accepted plaques for the Golden Mouse award, which the national club awards for the best club websites. Our **John Saylor** won the third place award for his editorship of the **Mother Lode** website and second place for his efforts on our website. Way to go, **John!**



*(Meeting Notes cont.)*

The 50/50 raffle was won by **Steve Rowe and Stan Packard**. Each of these lucky guys went home with an extra \$25.00 in their pockets.

## **Fire Extinguisher and Your *Model T***

by *John Saylor*

During the last meeting the subject of carrying a fire extinguisher in your *Model T* was discussed. All agreed we should be ready in case of an emergency with ours or a fellow member's car. Several years ago, I mounted extinguishers in both of my *Model T*'s. They shouldn't be buried in a tool box or under a seat, if at all possible, for quick access.

For my 27 Tudor I found a spot between the front bucket seats that works well.



**Between the front bucket seats**

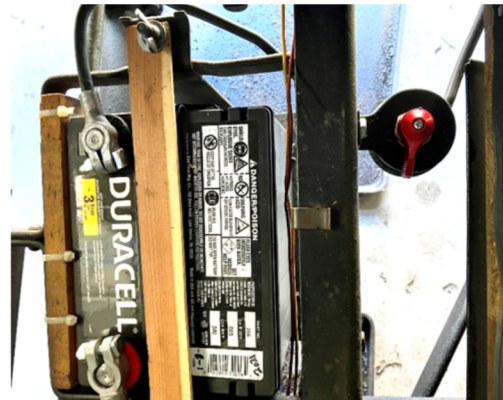
*(Fire Extinguisher info cont.)*

In my 21 Touring I mounted on the panel below the back seat. Both locations are readily accessible and mounted so the gauge can be seen without removing.



Rear seat panel

Another safety item to consider is a battery master cut off switch. I bought a switch and bracket from Lang's and mounted it on the frame rail near the battery. I wired it in the negative ground lead between the battery and the frame. The other item is to add a fuse, also available from the vendors to the main battery lead from the starter switch, which will protect the complete electrical system if a short happens.



## Curious Fourth Graders Get A History Lesson

by Barb O'Connor

On Friday, April 14, **Mark O'Connor** drove his 1919 **Model T** "truck" to Caleb Greenwood Elementary School in Sacramento. Mark was asked to come back again this year to display his car and talk about it with students. The kids were excited to sit in the car and honk the horn, and watch as Sophie O's grandpa started it up. Sophie (not pictured) was Grandpa's assistant and photographer for the event.



## What a "Butte-i-ful" Day

by Mark O'Connor

On Saturday, **Rich and Sherry Silva, Allen Koch** in his speedster, **John Saylor**, and **Mark O'Connor** joined the Mother Lode **Model T** Club for the Fourteenth Annual Gil Machado Shakedown Tour. **Suzie and Gary** always put on a great tour!

We Sacramento folks met the Auburn folks at McBean Park in Lincoln, then on to Marysville. We traveled around the Sutter Buttes on two lane country roads with little or no traffic for miles and miles. That's what we love to do in our **Model Ts**. We headed back to Lincoln after lunch at the Olive Garden in Yuba City. It was a beautiful day and a beautiful drive. Thanks to **Suzie** and the Mother Lode Club for including us.

## Please Join Us

for the

### April 2023 *Model T* meeting:

Wednesday

April 26th

7:00PM

American Legion/ VFW

8990 Kruitof Way

Fair Oaks, Ca 95662

If you plan to join other members for dinner before the meeting at 5 pm, Kate will need a head count. It is best to text her if you can. Kate's cell # 916-213-4919. Just say "Yes, Dad's", and "Number of people".

## Upcoming Events

April 27 THURSDAY- Awful Waffle

April 28- Transportation Show at Community Outreach Academy Elementary

May 20- Amador Flower Farm, Picnic Lunch

June 10- Sutter Creek Foundry Tour

Dec. 3- Christmas Party