

**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:

6:30 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.

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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 MTFCA

Fill out completely and mail to:  
 Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club  
 % John Saylor  
 7304 Goldwood Way  
 Citrus Heights, Ca 95610

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*Model T* Ford Club of America MTFC.A.COM --- US \$50  
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

February 2025

Greetings everyone!

We went on our first *Model T* Tour with our cars on Presidents Day. We were invited to join the “Heritage Day” event at Mount Vernon Memorial Park and Mortuary.

It was quite chilly, but everyone dressed warmly and in vintage attire. Check out the photos. We had a good time. We were served what some were heard to say, the best lunch they ever had that day.

Four days later, a SVMTC “Awful Waffle” event started at 9:30 a.m. at Bert's Diner for breakfast, followed by a sojourn to *Mac's* hangar at the Elk Grove decommissioned Sunset Sky Ranch airport. *Mark O'Connor* is heading up the *Pava* project. Progress and participation is overwhelming. Read *Mark's* “Awful Waffle Report” for more details.

I'll see you at the next meeting on Wednesday, February 26th.

Regards,

*Kate*



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### **VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

On Monday, February 17th, we participated in the American Heritage Day event at Mt. Vernon Memorial Park. We had 7 cars in attendance— the *Silvas*, the *Bandys*, *John Saylor*, the *O'Connors*, *Mac Weir*, *Dennis Furr*, and the *Kostivs*. This is the first year this event has taken place since COVID.

Along with our cars, there was an old school bus from the San Juan School District, a John Deere tractor and truck, and a hit and miss engine. The Buffalo Soldiers and the Redcoats were represented, along with a booth honoring fallen soldiers. The SPCA had a display. We also saw some brand new baby goats and a bee hive with honey. There were yarn spinning and lace making demonstrations, and a beautiful quilt was on display.

We were treated to a hot dog lunch.

In March we will be going to lunch at the Spaghetti Factory, and then we'll play miniature glow golf after. Details and sign ups at the meeting. See you there!

~ **Debbi**



Photo Credit: Harvey Bandy

**January 29, 2025**  
**Meeting Notes**  
**Sacramento Valley Model T Club**  
by Wendel and Michele Waltz

President *Kate Bandy* called the meeting to order at 6:43pm.

*Debbi Kostiv*, Tour Chair, remarked that the excursion to Rosie the Riveter Park was a success, with a great lunch and good time. Several members carpoled, so the event was well attended.

The next upcoming event is the Mount Vernon Memorial Park “American Heritage Day” on Presidents Day, Monday February 17th. This is the first time the event has been held since COVID. Arrive 9:00 to 9:30am with your old vehicle and plan to stay until 2:00pm. Lunch tickets for a free hot dog lunch will be provided. There was a sign up sheet for the event.

April 12 is the Mother Lode Club “shake-down” tour, destination to be determined.

*John Saylor*, Treasurer, reported that the room rent has increased for this year and that 7 or 8 members still have not paid their dues. He has sent

notices to those who are delinquent. *John* suggested the the bylaws be changed to make the dues deadline be February 1 instead of March 1, to coincide with the National *Model T* Club deadline. He noted that the Mother Lode club charges a \$10 fee for dues delinquent after January 15.

Discussion ensued about the possible need to review and revise the by-laws. *John* will send a copy of the current by-laws to the membership for discussion at the next meeting.

The Sunshine Lady report was missing due to the absence of Sunshine Lady *Jean Lanham*. As far as we knew, no one was under the weather at the time of the meeting.

The next Awful Waffle is February 7. Work continues on the *Pava TT* truck engine: at the next meeting they’ll try to hook up the valves. On the *Steve Rowe* pickup, they will be installing the Ruxtell, while the team of *Mac (Weir)* and (*Mike Kostiv*) is getting closer to finishing the top.

*John* remarked that March 8 is Pony Baseball opening day. He will let *Debbi* know the details as this could become a club event.

*( Meeting Notes continued)*

June 1 is the 50th year for the Santa Clara Club Lowland Tour and swap meet. Information is on our website.

The Barbershop Singers performed “Wait til the Sun Shines, Nellie” and Hello, Mary Lou,” along with “The Birthday Song” for *Dave Eichner*.

*Hal Schedler* remarked that the National Club Museum in Richmond, Indiana is looking for donations.

*Dennis Furr* brought two show-and tell-items, a 11-in-1 tool and a metal detector to help find your bolts.

Raffle winners tonight were *Vonnie Schedler* and *John Anderson* - \$16.00 each.



Photo Credit: Harvey Bandy

## The Awful Waffle Report

by Mark O'Connor

On Friday, February 21st, a group of the finest and most experienced *Model T* mechanics met at Bert's Diner in Sheldon, California for an early morning meeting at 9:30. We strategized and debated different ideas, and came up with a plan of attack for the *Pava TT* project.

After a hearty breakfast, a lot of coffee, and bad jokes, we moved the whole crew a few miles away to Sunset Sky Ranch and commenced to implement the plan.

*Mike Kostiv* worked on the wiring in the *TT*, while some of us replaced the piston rings and started to install the pistons. After installing two of the four pistons, the engine was stuck and would not turn over. This is going to be harder than I thought... Stay tuned for the next Awful Waffle.



## Upcoming Tours

2025

**Please Join Us**

**for the**

**February 26**

***Model T* meeting:**

**Wednesday**

**February 26th**

**6:30PM**

**American Legion/ VFW**

**8990 Kruitof Way**

**Fair Oaks, Ca 95662**

**March- Glo Golf and Spaghetti  
Factory lunch**

**April- Transportation Fair**

**May- Crocker Art Museum**

**June- Kennedy Gold Mine Tour**