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Aug. 7th. Sunday Illinois Railroad Museum Extravaganza

Calendar of Events

Meeting Dates at:

55 E. Richmond
Westmont, IL 7:30pm

Aug. 5th. Meeting Friday
7:30pm

Aug. 7th. Sunday Illinois Railroad Museum Extravaganza - Andy Erbach & Joe Rush

Aug. 13th. Saturday Friendly Ford car show and Model A parts swap - Forrest Green

Aug. 21st. Sunday Kane County Cougars baseball game - Olhava page 8

Sept. 25th. Sunday Polo Match—Tiesenga

Refreshments

August: Matt Kusar
September: Frank & Barb Smith
October: Marsha Cox
November: Tom & Ann Kleinschmidt
January 2023: Christoph Stokowski



From Dyke's Encyclopedia:

A Few Words on Adjustments.

First and most important thing to learn about any carburetor is to let it alone as long as it is working properly. Never tamper with the carburetor until you are quite sure that it is at fault.

Test engine for compression, see that there is a good hot spark occurring in each cylinder at the right time, and gasoline in the tank. The carburetor should be the last thing to touch.

If the engine refuses to start, first flood the carburetor by holding down the tickler above the float chamber; if gasoline does not appear, look for a leak or an obstruction in the pipe; a closed shut-off valve or a dirty strainer.

If the tickler shows gasoline in the float chamber look for trouble in the clogged spray nozzle.

If the carburetor floods or leaks gasoline when the car is standing, look for an obstruction under the float valve or a leak at one of the connections.

If the engine starts, but a "popping" noise occurs in the carburetor when the throttle is suddenly opened, it indicates a lean mixture. Open the needle valve slightly or put in a larger jet if there is no needle valve.

If the engine runs sluggishly with a black smoke at the exhaust, it indicates too rich a mixture. Close the needle valve slightly.

If the engine refuses to idle properly, or if not already too rich at low speed, the gasoline needle valve may also be opened slightly by turning to the left.

President's Message



We were able to get our first 4th of July parade in on the Northside before the senseless shooting in Highland Park parade took place. The other Two after that were canceled. The Southside and Westside parades went off without a problem.

I want to thank all the club members that participated in the parades to help raise funds for the club. Also, I want to thank the parade organizers (Forrest Green, Cheryl Olhava & Bob Solak) for their effort in getting the members to the parades.

Summer is going fast and in a few short months it will be time to put our Ts to sleep for the winter.

There are a lot of local events going on in August, so take advantage and try to attend as many events as possible.

- 1st. August 7th. Vintage Transport Extravaganza at the Illinois Railway Museum in Union IL, great event if you have never been there. Hundreds of cars and trucks on display as well as the trains.
- 2nd. August 13th. Friendly Ford customer appreciation day car show and Model A swap meet. I urge as many members as possible to please attend the car show with their cars, Randy Yockey is a member of our club and supports us and we should do the same for him.
- 3rd. August 21st. we have the Kane County Cougars baseball game in Geneva. Cheryl Olhava is arranging for a box lunch for all attendees, so please get in touch with her if you plan on going before it's too late.
- 4th. August 27th. swap meet at Ron & Ken Ehrenhofer in Woodstock to help fund the bus project for the Ford Museum.

See you at the meeting.

Wade Stynski
847-917-2814



"The short successes that can be gained in a brief time and without difficulty, are not worth much."

Henry Ford



"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

Winston S. Churchill

MIDWEST CHAPTER—MODEL T FORD CLUB INTERNATIONAL MEETING MINUTES—July 1, 2022



Meeting was called to order by Wade Stynoski at 7:31 pm.
Roll Call—Kathy Woodin

Minutes—Published in Tri-Pedal; Motion to Accept as published: 1st Frank Woodin:
2nd Tom Smith.

Financial Report—Treasurer Marcia Cox gave her report. Motion to accept: 1st Arnie Johansen; 2nd Clarence Teska.

Membership Report—Linda Rush was absent.

Sunshine Report—Sheryl read a thank you note from Rich Jones who is recovering from cancer. Paul Cizek is also doing well after surgery. It is with sadness that we report that Marvin Tiesenga passed away; he will be missed. A \$200 donation to Timothy Christian School was approved; Forrest Green made the motion to accept; seconded by Clarence Teska. A card was signed by members for the Tiesenga family.

On a happier note, Joe&Linda Rush's daughter, Lauren is marrying Ryan on July 2; we wish them well. Club members signed a card for the newlyweds. Finally we sang Happy Birthday to one of our newest and youngest members, Dulce Marron, in honor of her 5th birthday.

Our very own Forrest Green and Tom Palmisano were cited as “most helpful” by the Model T Ford Club America on their recent Tour.

Non-Chapter Events: Scott & Sheryl Stier announced the Sycamore Steam Show will be held on August 11-14.

Past Events: Matt Kusar—The Brunch Run at the Tiesenga's summer home was a bit cloudy but always lots of fun. The cooks at the grill were terrific and lots of beautiful cars made the outing great. Thanks to the Tiesenga family for opening their home to us.

Wade Stynoski reported on the MTFCA National Tour; everyone had a great time.

Great Gatsby Days at Oak Brook Polo Club: Matt reported that there were 10 cars this past Sunday.

Upcoming Events in July:

- a. July 4th parades are upcoming; Cheryl Olhava, Forrest Green & Bob Solak encouraged members to bring out their T's.
- b. July 6-10: Speedster Tour in Portage Wisconsin. We will have a chance to drive the Beaver Dam Race 1/3 mile clay track with our T's.
- c. July 17-22 Model T Ford Club International Tour in Hamilton Ohio
- d. July 29-31 Club Camping trip to Oregon IL—Joe Rush and Andy Erbach

Old Business: The Midwest Tri-Pedal is published on the MTFCI website, due to Wade's efforts.

New Business: Cheryl Olhava reported that we have 20 tickets for the Kane County baseball game at 11:00 on Sunday, August 21. There is a \$10 parking fee that can be used to purchase food/drinks at the park. Several members mentioned the Model A bus project that Ron & Ken Ehrenhofer are working on. They are planning to have a swap meet at Ken's house on August 27 to raise funds for completing the bus. More information will follow.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Clarence Teska; seconded by Tom Smith. Meeting adjourned at 8:28.

Refreshments were provided by Bob Solak. Winner of 50/50 raffle: Kathy Woodin



August Sunshine Column

Sheryl Stier

On the Mend – Karen Bogden is recovering from cancer surgery and is in good spirits. Paul Cizek is doing great after his surgery, in fact he was on the MTFCI tour in Ohio. Tom Greifhahn is having problems with his knee. Lee Carlson has been having trouble breathing and his high blood sugar is an issue.

Sad News – Long time club member and friend John Barr passed away peacefully after a long courageous battle with cancer on July 11, 2022. John and MaryEllyn originally lived in Montana, but moved to Illinois for work for about 20 years. Moved back to be with their family and enjoyed their lives in Montana. John will be missed by all that knew him. He was a really great guy.

MTFCI Ohio Tour News – Exciting News! Bob & Jenny Solak were nominated and won the Founders Appreciation Award! What a great honor! Sad news is they were unable to attend the tour due to the Covid Virus. Good news, all not lost, we all wore pins that said – “Ask Me about the 2023 MTFCI tour.” We also gave a knock out presentation on the 2023 tour in Baraboo, WI! We had 17 pre-registrations – not bad for a bunch of amateurs!

Upcoming events - Two events the Stier family never misses - Sunday, August 7th – 31st Annual Vintage Transport Extravaganza – Illinois Railway museum in Union. If you didn't pre-register, \$20.00 admission – includes everyone in the car and all the trains you can ride. If you are planning on attending, we are in the back lot and I will be serving hot dogs for lunch. Let me know if you are planning to join us, I don't want to run out of hot dogs J Also, the following weekend, August 11-14th is the Sycamore Steam Show. We've been showing tractors & engines for over 30 years! Hot dogs again & cookies will be served and a place to rest. I know quite a few of the Midwest Chapter members attend the Michigan Jamboree. This year it will be close – Grand Rapids. Wish we could attend. Have fun and safe travels club members.

Busy summer so far and we still have another month to go! Hopefully it won't be so hot! Please let me know if you have any news you would like to share with the membership. *Good or bad.*

Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy last days of summer!

Events and Meetings

By Matt Kusar

CURRENT
Events

Upcoming events

August 21 we will be attending the Kane County Cougars game as they face their despised rivals the Cleburne (Texas)Railroaders. It's a 1:00 game and security will be provided for our cars. Let Cheryl Olhava know ASAP if you're attending.

There's a few non club events approaching.

Transportation Days at the Illinois Railway Museum is Sunday August 7. If you're attending with your Model T or A we will be all the way in the back of the show grounds.

The Sycamore Steam Show is August 11-14.

The Friendly Ford car show and swap meet hosted by the Illinois Region Model A restorer club is August 13.

The Model T & A swap to benefit the Model A Ford Museum Bus Project will be August 27 at Ken Ehrenhofers: 13012 Rt.176 Woodstock IL 60098.

September 25 we're invited back to the Oak Brook Polo Club. More details will be forthcoming.

As always we're looking for presentations for meetings. Call or text me at (815) 666-6026, or email me at: thedistributoreditor@gmail.com

See you on the road!

Matt Kusar

FRIENDLY FORD CAR SHOW & PARTS SWAP SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2022

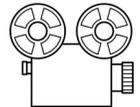
On Saturday, August 13th, Randy Yockey and this Friendly Ford dealership will be holding their annual car show and this year the Illinois Region of the Model A Ford Club will also be sponsoring a Parts Swap.

Please plan on supporting the Car Show and enjoying the Parts Swap. Randy will once again have a designated area for the Midwest Chapter. The car show starts at about 8:00 A.M. and the parts swap is usually going by about 7:00 A.M. Most importantly, the food will be available all day starting at lunchtime.

Forrest

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Ye Old Moving Picture Lantern



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YMjVlin3BFA&ab_channel=CFWElectronics

The American Experience - Sears Catalog

July 29/30/31 Camping Overnighter Wrap-up Report

This unique event was attended by 40 chapter members driving 12 Model T's, 3 Model A's, 3 other antiques autos, and 3 moderns. I say unique because the last Midwest Chapter camping overnighter that we know of was 48 years ago. After experiencing the amount of work that went into it, I think we know why it has been so long since the last one. All the cars successfully made the entire trip under their own power. There were only a few roadside breakdowns but all were successfully fixed on the side of the road.



The weather turned out to be perfect with no rain forecasted or experienced, low humidity, daytime temperatures only in the low to mid 80's Deg. F and cool evenings. There had to be some divine intervention involved to have the best three days of the three week period line up exactly with our three day event. I think deceased member Jimmy Walker was watching over us because this is just the type of event he would have liked. Also a pleasant surprise at the campground was hardly any mosquitos. I did not receive any mosquito bites at our campsite over the three days and this was without using any mosquito repellent.

We left Friendly Ford on Friday morning with 8 Model T's, 2 other antique autos, and a modern car pulling the supply trailer. During the first leg of the 90 mile tour, 3 more Model T's, 2 Model A's and an antique pickup joined our caravan toward our destination of Oregon, IL. At the destination campground, 2 more moderns and a Model T were added to the group.

A surprise to the group on our Friday Tour was a stop at Al's Farm to enter the field and pick our own sweet corn for the evening's corn boil. It doesn't get any fresher than this. Al joined Andy in the lead Model T for the rest of the trip to the campground and stayed for dinner. After successful camp setup, we rewarded ourselves with Dairy Queen Ice Cream. At dinner, everybody appeared to have fun roasting their own hot dogs and sausage on telescoping forks over the fire. We all enjoyed the fresh corn from the big corn boil pot or roasted in the husk over the fire. After the evening camp fire with campfire snacks, 11 family units retired to their tents, one to a camper trailer, and eight drove to the motels 3-1/2 miles away.

Saturday's 44 mile tour included some exercise up many stairs to view Castel Rock with overlooking views of the Rock River. Next was a great guided tour of the John Deere Site including the archeological dig of his shop where John Deere made his first horse-drawn plows. We had lunch at Sledgehammers (a biker bar with great food and hearty sized portions). Finally, we parked next to the giant cooling towers of Byron Nuclear Power Plant for some unique photos with our Model T's. Afternoon camp activities included a log sawing contest and hikes to the Indian statue. The Pasch kids Jason and Sarah won the log sawing contest using the antique two-man saw. Saturday's camp dinner feast included crock pot chili, sauerkraut with brats, and So-Good brand BBQ beef sandwiches (like we used to sell at our yearly swap meet). Of course we had another great campfire – this time with watermelon.

Sunday's 93 mile return to Friendly Ford tour took us through the small town of Malta where we stopped at the old 1873 Malta Town Hall to learn about the Lincoln Highway seeding mile. Malta provided us with a copy of their video about the Lincoln Highway to enjoy at future Midwest Chapter Meetings and will mail us dash plaques for attendees to commemorate their visit. We then drove on the exact location of the first seedling mile. Finally, we had lunch at a very unique pizza restaurant, or should I say school gym? It was decorated with all things pop culture.

Andy and I want to thank everybody who attended and helped when we needed it. It was a pleasure and hard work to pull this off but we think it was well worth it. Although next time, we will let somebody else run it.

Joe and Andy

August Membership Report- *Joe Rush*

Members' August Birthdays



Elizabeth Demuth	8/2
Wayne Jorgensen	8/2
Rich Stezowski	8/2
Peter Troost	8/8
Dan Helgren	8/12
Mickey Stromberg	8/12
Heidi Monteith	8/14
Leigh Carlson	8/16
Mary Stolinski	8/16
Angela Flood	8/17
Don Trepashko	8/24
Virginia Paul	8/24
Chris Garza	8/28
Ken Ehrenhofer	8/30
Rebecca Richardson	8/31

Welcome to New Members!

Leif and Erin Ehrke
W9193 Waldman Road
Cambridge, WI 53523
608-576-9381
leifehrke@gmail.com
(P) 1926 Ford T Coupe

We're happy you are part of our club!
We look forward to seeing you at our events and meetings.



Anniversaries

Cheryl and Walt Olhava	8/16
Rich and Karen Stezowski	8/18
Ron and Karen Ehrenhofer	8/22
James and Mary Kay Specht	8/27

Address Correction

The new address for Lauren Rush and her husband Ryan was partially cut off in last month's Tri-Pedal. It is repeated here with the town, state and zip code line.

Lauren and Ryan Solava
4315 Azalea Dr. Apt #306
Lisle, IL 60532-1182

NORTHSIDE PARADES

This year was unlike any year in the past. We had six cars in the Niles parade and five cars ready to kick off in Skokie when word of the Highland Park shooting was announced and the parade was canceled. There wasn't any word about the status of the Evanston parade but collectively we decided against attending, expecting it to be canceled as eventually it was.

Skokie send word a few days later that they would honor our contract and not require us to repay our fee.

Forrest

July 4th. South Side Parade follow-up

By Cheryl Olhava

A Big Thank You to everyone for driving their cars in our Hinsdale and Downers Grove 4th of July parades. We even got our cars pictured on the front of the Downers Grove Suburban Life. This is great advertising for our club. We had Six cars in Hinsdale: Walt & Cheryl, Steve Paul, Tom Palmissano, Rand Gustafson and Two of our newest members Steve Riebe, Arturo & Elana Flores also their Daughter. Downers Grove had Seven cars: Walt & Cheryl, Rand, Tom P, Tom Smith, Clarence Teska, our two new members Steve Riebe and Arturo & Elane Flores.

This year has been a difficult one however with what has happened in Highland Park at their parade. Prayers to all those people involved.

Kane County Cougars game and car show Sunday August 21, 2022

Hey everyone come and join us at the Kane County Cougars game and car show 34W002, Cherry Lane, Geneva, Illinois 60134. It will be \$10.00 to park your car. It normally is \$10.00 for everyone else to park also. They have agreed to have special security for our cars when we will be at the game. Please let me know as soon as possible if you will be attending as I need to let the Cougars know how many cars will be there for their security.

We will be able to get in to the park at 11:00am. I am arranging a boxed lunch for the club members before the game starts at 1:00pm. Please let me know if you will join us so I can have enough lunches. If you miss out ordering lunch there is very good food in the park. The Club will cover that cost for the members for a boxed lunch.

The ticket for the game is \$20.00 a ticket to the game. We have a group so therefor they offer us a voucher for \$10.00 per ticket to use in the park for concessions. After the game the kids can run the base which is a lot of fun. If you have never been to a game there it will be a real treat for you as you can get close to the field and really see the game.

There will be seats saved for us in a section together so please let me know if you plan to attend. Bring the whole family.

Cheryl Musch-Olhava 630-661-7488 or cherylstotallook@att.net
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Club Tools for Loan

Contact Charlie Warfield to Borrow Tools
(630) 369-6504

Tool Number	Tool Description
X2018	Brake lining Rivet tool
T3050BT	Camshaft gear lock nut wrench
T3368T	Crank case alignment tool
T3000H	Engine hoist ring (2)
T3001ADP	Engine stand adapter
T3061W	Exhaust pack nut wrench
X6151	Piston ring compressor
T2509SP	Rear axle sleeve puller
WK 4235	Rear axle wheel knock off
T3820/44T	Shackle bushing driver Front and Rear
T2713R	Spindle bolt bushing reamer
T3009KRW	Timing cover alignment tool
T3413BT	Transmission band changing tool
X3416	Transmission band lining Rivet set pliers
T3317TL	Transmission drum puller
T3314D	Transmission triple gear bushing and Camshaft rear bushing set tool
T2571AT	Universal joint alignment tool
T3052R64	Valve 1/64 over size reamer
X1175	Seal Puller
T3820/44T	Shackle bushing driver – Front and Rear
Strobo-Spark	Coil tester
Front Axle Tool	Stevens Front Axle Tool for repairing worn axle kingpin holes
Tap 14-24	Tap 14-24 for Bendix cover screws

Club Repair Library DVDs for Loan

- 1-1 Balancing Tires
- 1-2 Model T Tires I
- 1-3 Model T Tires II
- 1-4 Model T Fuel Filter
- 1-5 Model T Bands
- 2-1 Restoring the Transmission Cover
- 2-2 Restoring the T Cutout
- 2-3 Front End Alignment
- 2-4 Restoring the T Transmission I
- 2-5 Restoring the T Transmission II
- 3-1 Model T Coils I
- 3-2 Model T Coils II
- 3-3 Model T Coils III
- 3-4 Restoring the Generator
- 3-5 Restoring the Starter
- 4-1 Electrical Overview
- 4-2 Brush Plate Restoration
- 4-3 Speedometer Restoration I
- 4-4 Speedometer Restoration II
- 4-5 Speedometer Restoration III
- 5-1 Restoring the Rear Axle I
- 5-2 Restoring the Rear Axle II
- 5-3 Restoring the Rear Axle III
- 5-4 The Model T Radiator
- 5-5 Restoring the Model T Manifold
- 6-1 Restoring the Model T Fan
- 6-2 Cam Replacement
- 6-3 Wheel Spoke Tightening
- 6-4 Restoring the Steering Column
- 6-5 The Model T Frame
- 7-1 How to Start and Drive the Model T
- 7-2 Model T Accessories
- 7-3 Chassis Alignment
- 7-4 Model T Safety
- 7-5 Safety 2: The MTFCA Safety Check List
- 8-1 Model T Fashions
- 8-2 Metal Work 101
- 8-3 Taking a Model T out of Mothballs—Part 1
- 8-4 Taking a T out of Mothballs—Part 2
- 8-5 Taking a T out of Mothballs—Part 3
- 9-1 Restoration welding 101
- 9-2 Restoration welding 102
- 9-3 Babbitting part 1
- 9-4 Babbitting part 2
- 9-5 Anatomy of a 1923 Centerdoor Restoration

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About Our Organization

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this club is to pro-mote the interest of the public in the preservation and restoration of antique automobiles, particularly the Model "T" Ford, their accessories, lore, and literature.

Board of Directors Meetings

Held at 7:30pm on the First Friday of each month at Westmont Park District – Administration & Senior Center, 2nd Floor, 55 East Richmond, Westmont, IL. These meetings are open to all members.

Classifides.....



For Sale: 1934 Plymouth 2 door sedan street rod. Updated with a mid-60's Corvette drive train: 327, TH350 Auto. \$28,000 or open to offers. Mike Meyer 630 730 9295.



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For Sale: Ford - Nov. 1915 T for sale. brass radiator. has firewall & windshield frame. no body. unrestored. missing carb. no title. located in north central Illinois. 773-490-9747. martymersch6@comcast.net ask \$ 2200 obo.

Wanted – Small lightweight trailer to carry my Model T or Model A for short distances. Single axle preferred, brakes not necessary. Martin Cobb mcobb@indak.com 847-2541655 0322

FOR SALE; 1926 "T" Roaster paint and interior appear to be original and in good condition. \$8,000 or best offer. Townsend Albright 224-216-9026. . 822

For Sale 1931 Ford Model A – Good condition – everything original \$25,000 Steve Dellis 630-851-4066 yiasou43@gmail.com

For Sale: 1925 Model T Coupe Good Runner starts up every time with little to no effort. Rear Differential, Pinion Gear, Ring Gear, and Universal Replaced All new Electric harnesses installed along with new modern solid-state voltage regulator. King Pins replaced along with new Tie Rod Bolts Lower Steering Column re-bushed. Four new tires. Radiator removed and professionally cleaned and tested. Car never overheats. Engine timed to factory specs New plugs and gapped to factory specs. Transmission Oil Screen installed Headlights refurbished. Wheel Spokes cleaned and Spar Varnished Clear. \$12,000 firm Brian Giblin 708-280-3239

