Rockford Model T Ford Club Newsletter September 2022

#### **MEMBERS WORKING FOR YOU:**

President	Steve Kindell
Vice President	Open
Secretary	Deb Werner
Treasurer	Jay Larson
President Emeritus	Wayne Henson
Directors	Bill Werner
	Craig Sheridan
	Duane Bunton
	Dave Lantz
Newsletter Editor	Kurt Duesterhoeft
Little Hershey	
Swap Meet	Dave Lantz
Sunshine Persons	Duane & Cathy Bunton



**PURPOSE OF THE CLUB** 

The purpose of this chapter is to promote the interests of the public in the preservation and restoration of antique autos, particularly the Model T Fords, their accessories, lore, and literature.

<u>Date</u>			<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>		Location
Wednesday	Sept.	7	6:30 p.m.	Monthly Mee	ting	Goodwill Industries Mtg. Rm.
						3068 McFarland Rd., Rockford
Mon./Tues.	Sept.	26/27		Overnight Tou	r	Dubuque, Iowa
Sunday	October	9		Fall Tour		TBD
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Those celebrating this	s month:	
<u>Birthdays</u>		511111
Duane Bunton	9/14	5
<u>Anniversaries</u> Steve & Cindy Kindell	9/29	

## Rockford Model T Club Board/General Meeting Minutes, August 3, 2022

Kurt Duesterhoeft welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at Goodwill facility, Rockford. Officers, Board, and club members present included: Duane Bunton, Steve Kindell, Kurt Duesterhoeft, Deb Werner, Dave Lantz, Dean Wanfalt, Gene Clifton, Craig Sheridan, Aaron Crandall, Bill Duffee, Jay Larson, Wayne Orrison, and Brian Fradkin.

Due to secretary Deb Werner being late to the meeting due to work, Dave Lantz read the minutes of the July 2022 meeting. Wayne Orrison moved to approved, seconded by Steve Kindell.

Duane Bunton read the treasurer's report. Wayne Orrison moved to approve, seconded by Steve Kindell; approved.

Old Business: Brian Fradkin was unanimously voted in as New Member to the Rockford Model T Club. Steve Kindell volunteered for job of club President and was unanimously voted in as club President. Duane Bunton stated he is retiring from club Treasurer. Jay Larson stated he would be interested in volunteering for the job of Treasurer; Jay was unanimously voted in as club Treasurer.

New Business: Steve Kindell states the club needs a volunteer for the role of club board of director due to there are only 3 board of directors at this time: Kurt Duesterhoeft, Bill Werner, and Dave Lantz. Duane Bunton stated he would volunteer and Craig Sheridan also stated he would volunteer. Kurt Duesterhoeft stated he would step down as current board director; therefore, Craig and Duane were both unanimously voted in as club board of directors. Gene Clifton states there may be a tour date conflict for the Oct. 9 Fall Tour but Gene states he will inform club members of possible change at next month's meeting. It was suggested that a committee be formed to discuss recommendations and/or changes for Little Hershey 2023, including DJ and other items. Steve Kindell announced he has designed and printed out magnetic Rockford Model T Club logo signs that can be put on Model T car doors to promote the club. Gene Clifton made a motion to reimburse Steve for the \$2 per sign cost, Kurt Duesterhoeft seconded, approved. It was announced that Bob Bergstad has sold the new parts and inventory part of his business. Brian Fradkin stated he has fliers for the Marengo High School fundraiser, The Annual Hot Rod High School Car Show, which is Aug. 27, from 9:00 a.m., to 3:00 p.m.

and 50/50, auto and cycle awards, student competition, and more. For further info, call 815-540-7470.

Little Hershey: Dave Lantz reported that Little Hershey may have a higher profit than originally stated, but states his math teacher wife has not quite concluded the audit and Dave states he will report the final profit at next month's meeting.

Past Club News: Duane Bunton states he and Cathy attended the 2022 International event and Duane took two awards. Duane stated he experienced difficulty getting around but said they still had fun at the event. Duane stated there were over 200 cars in attendance and stated they toured the Model T museum and noted the speedster restoration looked great!

Club Member's Projects: Kurt Duesterhoeft stated he got his Model A car out of long-term storage and is currently working on it. Dave Lantz stated he repaired the distributor cap on his car.

Future Club Events: Saturday, Aug. 13 – Midway Village event. Monday, Sept. 26 and Tuesday, Sept. 27 – Overnight Tour.

Non-Club News: Craig Sheridan said his wife, Rosie, has stepped down as long-time Dance Director for the Festa Italiana event, and states she has volunteered for the role of Director of Cultural Events. Craig states he will be helping Rosie with that new role at Festa Italiana.

Deaths and Illnesses: Gene Clifton states Betty will be starting physical therapy for back pain and disk issues.

Steve Kindell made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Kurt Duesterhoeft seconded; approved.

Next Club Meeting: Wed, Sept. 7 – Goodwill facility, Rockford. Steve Kindell stated Goodwill said they will allow the club to bring in snacks for the meeting.

### **New Members**

Meet our newest members, Brian and Cam Fradkin from Marengo. They have a '27 Model T coupe as well as a pair of Dodge Brothers touring cars, one a '16, the other a '17. Brian has spent



nearly 40 years working in the automotive field. Recently he took that experience and combined it with his interest in vintage snowmobiles to start his own business, Papa's Vintage Garage. While he specializes in antique and vintage cars, trucks, and other machines, he'll tackle most any project. Brian has served as past president of the Illinois Snowmobile Association. Brian and Cam have two daughters and six grandsons. You can find the Facebook page for Papa's Vintage Garage at <u>https://www.facebook.com/papasvintagegarage/</u>

## **New Officers**

The following officers were elected at the August meeting:

President – Steve Kindell Treasurer – Jay Larson Director – Craig Sheridan Director – Duane Bunton

The vice-presidency remains open, so please consider volunteering.

# September Meeting Place and Time

Our **Monthly Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at the new Goodwill Industries' facility at 3068 McFarland Road (the former Gander Mountain building across from Woodman's) starting at **6:30 p.m.** 

# What's Happening?

Joe Maurer has volunteered to host a **Fall Overnight Tour** on Monday and Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>. This tour is being sponsored by the Rockford Model T Club but members from the Model A Club are invited, and modern cars will be allowed. This Tour will be a back roads tour to Dubuque, Iowa, and activities will include the Mississippi River Museum, the Dubuque Tram, and a Casino visit. The tour will start from Blassinhgam Park in Pecatonica with a lunch stop in Shullsburg. The tour will cover approximately 100 miles each day.

Please call Joe (815-541-9237) to reserve your spot.

A **Model A and Model T swap meet** will be held at Ken and Helen Ehrenhofers on Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, starting at 8 a.m. The location is 13012 IL-176 in Woodstock. Food and beverages are available for purchase. Admission is \$5. See flyer on page 7 for details.

Brian Fradkin invites everyone to the Marengo Community High School annual **Hot Rod Car show** on Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup>. See flyer on page 6 for details.

### International Meet in Hamilton, Ohio - Photos courtesy of Sheryl Stier

230 cars were registered for the meet. Duane and Cathy Bunton drove their speedster while Scott and Sheryl Stier drove their 1911 Touring car. The Youth Auction sold raffle tickets for the opportunity to win a Model T Engine and raised \$30k. The Daily Donut Trail was lots of fun! You were given a passport and had it stamped every day from two or three bakeries. If you filled your passport, you got a T-Shirt. Scott and Sheryl each got theirs!

Mark your calendar! Next year's tour will be at the Devil's Head Ski Resort located between Baraboo and Merrimac WI, July 16- 22, 2023. The event won't likely be this close again for some time so if you've never been to the International Meet, this will be a great opportunity that you won't want to miss.



Scott & Sheryl Stier and Duane & Cathy Bunton attended the International meet in Hamilton, Ohio



Model T's parked alongside the hotel, which used to be a paper mill.



