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Henry Ford's Common Sense: "Coming together is the beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is Success."

## **APRIL 2023 NEWSLETTER**

On March 4th, thirteen club members enjoyed an early dinner at Mi Tierra located on the corner of 84<sup>th</sup> and Holdrege after many club members outlined booths that morning for the annual swap meet at the Lancaster Event Center.

Another car activity that our club was participated in on March 30<sup>th</sup> was a small car show at North American Martyrs grade school in northwest Lincoln. The annual school musical this year was Chitty Chitty Bang Bang and the day of the first performance was made special with old cars that could have been seen in the era the show took place. A big thank you to Steve Hughes for taking his 1921 T and to Ken Hunkins for taking his Model T and his favorite female friend Sophia (a pet bird). Ken and Steve can tell us about the day at the club meeting on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Two more events took place in March on a larger scale: several club members went to the pre-World War II swamp meet in Chickasha, OK on March 16, 17, and 18. Besides Mike and myself, Steve Hughes and Orvis and Sheila Wall were there. Ken Cheney came through on his way to Dallas though I did not see him.

The MTFCA Annual Business Meeting was held in Las Vegas on March 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, Mike and me attended this event. It was a very interesting visit, we saw many things we don't see every day here in Nebraska, and the Southern Nevada Model T Club put on a good show. Yes, we saw the "old" Elvis greeting visitors at the iconic Las Vegas sign (thankfully, he did not sing). We also went to the Mob Museum in the old downtown area of Las Vegas (lots of morbid photographs) and saw Carroll Shelby's race car and Mustang collection. At the banquet on Saturday evening, Mike received the Walter Rosenthal Award from Ed Archer for his dedication to promote the history and legacy of the Model T.





Mark your calendar: The Nebraskaland Model T Club will meet on Saturday, April 15 at 9:00 am: Safety Inspection training for both club members to make their cars road-worthy and to train those who will help with inspection of the cars for the Speedster reunion in June will take place in Mike Vaughn's shop followed by lunch and our club meeting at 1:00 pm in Eagle at Bailey's Local Pub. Mike's shop is located at 967 S. 176<sup>th</sup> Street on Highway 34 about 7 miles east of Lincoln, halfway between O Street and A Street on the west side of the road.

**Please note** that a Model T will be provided for training purposes, personal Ts will not be inspected individually though you are most welcome to drive your old car if weather permits.

For the ladies: if you would like to drive out to our house with the driver of your car, you are welcome to come in the house for coffee, tea, conversation and a game of Scrabble or Bunco. I am not good at card games but I do have board games.

As there was not a club meeting in March there aren't any meeting minutes to attach. We will hold a club meeting with minutes taken at the April 15<sup>th</sup> lunch at Bailey's Local Pub in Eagle.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Saturday, May 20 at 8:30 am: club members will meet at the Speedway Museum and drive our old cars to Rock Creek Station State Park near Endicott. We will follow the route to be used for the Speedster reunion day tour in June.

<u>News from Club Members</u>: Bobbie Fye is going to Ohio on Thursday, April 13 and is willing to pick up Model T items at Snyder's or other vendors if needed. You can contact Bobbie at 614-549-2352.

Club dues of \$10.00 for 2023 can be sent to Rich Johnston at 9720 Balkan Ave., Lincoln, NE 68516. Not sure you owe for 2023? Contact Rich at (402) 598-2947. If you pay your dues this year, you will be paid for 2023 and 2024. Starting in January 2024, all club members who are current MTFCA members will no longer pay dues at the local level.

*MTFCA information:* if you need to renew your national membership (\$50.00 annually or \$700.00 for a lifetime membership and you won't have to renew again) you can do so online at mtfca.com, you can print the form from the web site and mail it in with dues or contact the business office at (765) 373-3106. The Model T Museum in Richmond, Indiana is well worth exploring and is free to national club members. Also, the bi-monthly magazine "The Vintage Ford" is an enjoyable read for any family member.

UPCOMING NATIONAL EVENTS 2023: information on the following events can be found at mtfca.com or in the "Vintage Ford" magazine.

Homecoming at the Model T Museum in Richmond, IN: May 31 – June 3.

5<sup>th</sup> Annual Pre-War Ford Swap Meet in Brighton, CO: June 3.

 $22^{nd}$  Annual Show Me Tour in southwest Missouri: June 8 - 10.

National MTFCA tour "Experience the Flint Hills" in Manhattan, KS: June 18 – 23. Registration deadline May 1<sup>st</sup>. Speedster Hall of Fame and reunion in Lincoln, NE: June 21 – 24. Contact Mike Vaughn or Rich Johnston or visit museumofamericanspeed.com for more information. Register before June 1<sup>st</sup> for a reduced rate.

And for future planning: the MTFCA 2024 National Tour "Trails Less Travelled" in San Diego, CA: June 16 – 19, 2024.

Looking forward to more Model T adventures, see you soon!

Beth Vaughn