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REMTC Meeting — January 3rd.
Academy of Arts Auto Museum — January 19th
Turlock Swap Meet — January 26-27th
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Do you think it was cold?
President’s Message

Welcome all to our 2013 Redwood Empire Model T Club season. First, I want to thank Fern and Linda for another fantastic Christmas party. The generosity of our Club never ceases to amaze me. I want to also thank Chris and all of his board members for all of their hard work and dedication for making our 2012 season a super success. Chris’s unlimitless energy and enthusiasm showed through on the many flash tours and a superb over-nighter in Willits. I want to welcome all the new 2013 board members. I am looking forward to the fantastic tours and special events we have coming up in 2013.

New Officers and Committee Chairs for 2013

President: Steve Vining
Vice President: Judy Konvalinka
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Ed’s Notes

2013 will be our 23 year of writing the newsletter for REMTC. The very first edition was a cut and paste newsletter and I think that lasted about a year. I was fortunate enough to work in the tech industry and had access to computers that were used from the very first. As time went on, I realized that I needed new skills so started taking classes at SRJC. PageMaker was the standard for desktop publishing so that allowed me to use photos and arrange layouts for the pages plus inserting text. Fast forward 10 years and along comes InDesign, another Adobe product far advanced and the replacement for PageMaker. All of this background on the newsletter, allowed me to learn new skills to publish a newsletter about a Model T Club that has been a source of fun and enjoyment for the past 23 years. Add that to the many hours of exciting tours out of state and just around beautiful Sonoma County. The best part is the great friends that the Club has allowed us to enjoy while driving our wonderful Model T Fords. Looking forward to another year ... Ginny
**REMTC General Meetings for 2013**

The meeting place is Round Table Pizza on Marlow Road. 6:00 pm for dinner and 7:00 pm for meeting. We meet on the first Thursday of each month unless otherwise noted.

**REMTC Tours & Events for 2013**

- **January 19th** — University of Art Auto Museum, see flyer page 8
- **January 26th - 27th** — Turlock Swap Meet Info @ www.turlockswapmeet.com
- **March date TBA** — REMTC annual safety check
- **April 11-13th** — Bakersfield Swap Meet — Host - Greg Rimmer (661) 325-2840
- **June 8th** — Forestville Parade

**Watch remtc.org for flash tours**

Call your new Tour Director, Andy Clary and set a date for a tour. The earlier we can fill the calendar, the quicker you can plan your year’s events. We will need Trouble Truck drivers so let Andy know if you will be available.

Don’t forget to check the website, www.remtc.org for our very popular Flash Tours. We had six last year and they were well attended.

**Model T's For Sale**

Early 1916 Model T Touring. Original, low mileage, last of brass radiator models. Has Rocky Mountain Brakes. We are the third owners. Asking $12,000 or best offer.
Frank Berto — 415-454-2923

**Dues are Due**
Redwood Empire Model T Club
General Meeting, Dec. 6th
Meeting held at Round Table Pizza, Marlow Rd., S.R.

President: Chris Rich called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Attendance: 33 members in attendance. All board members were present except Vince Gregoire.

Secretary’s Report: Linda Mori read November minutes which were taken by Fern Newlin in Linda’s absence. Minutes were approved by Steve Nelson and seconded by Gwen Brown.


Birthdays: Chris congratulated our many December birthday members and those with anniversaries also. We even sang “Happy Birthday”.

Officers: Since this is the last meeting of 2012, Chris congratulated the outgoing board members and presented each with a Certificate of Appreciation, a jar of jam, and a jar of his homemade Tuscan salt spice mix.

Chris also presented the Brown’s with gifts for having traveled the most miles in a Model T and to Donna Jones (who was not present) for having the most spirit. These were well deserved accolades.

The new board members were introduced. They are: President, Steve Vining; Vice President, Judy Konvalinka; Secretary, Cindi Vining; Treasurer, Ted Shimkowski; Librarian, Pete Rich; Sunshine, Pam Johnson; Membership, Bill Newlin; and Tour Leader, Andy Clary. Steve Nelson made a motion to approve the new board and Mal Brown seconded the motion.

Old Business: Reminder about the Christmas Party at Oakmont on December 8. You may bring your own wine for dinner, corkage has been paid by some of our members.

Ginny will call Linda Solomon about our annual donation. Linda has asked us to donate to a charity she supports.

New Business: There will be a flash tour on December 15 if it isn’t raining. We will eat breakfast at the Omelet Express and drive to Reindeer Ridge Christmas Tree farm.

Suggestions were made for next year to consider bringing Model T’s to high school auto shops. Also to bring a highway Patrol officer to a meeting to talk about rules for Model T’s in driving on the road.

On January 19 at the San Francisco Art Center there will be over 200 cars on display. Steve Nelson will find out more info and see if we can carpool or rent a van.

Vince has reserved this room for us at Round Table for 2013.

We have a new member, Chris Burkhart, who has a TT truck.

Our July, 2013 meeting will be on the second Thursday (7/11/13) because the usual first Thursday is a holiday.

Meeting adjourned: 7:30 p.m. by Chris with 1st by Ted Shimkowski and 2nd by Steve Nelson.

Thank you to Ginny Rich for bringing dessert. Respectfully Submitted, Linda Mori, Secretary
Toys for Tots

With much appreciation, The Forestville Fire Department received the 70 toys that REMTC members donated. Pete Rich delivered the toys on December 13th in the Model T, to be distributed to children that otherwise might not receive a Christmas gift. Forestville, along with Graton joined firefighters in Sonoma County to make sure as many children as possible would have something to open Christmas morning.

REMTC is always generous in participating in this Christmas tradition. Thanks to all of you for sharing with those less fortunate.

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SANTA ROSA QUILT GUILD

REMTC donated $300 to the guild which preserves the tradition, culture and history of quilt making through their outreach to local charitable organizations; including Sutter Hospital, Valley of the Moon Children’s Center and Catholic Charities. Each quilt is a labor of love and is given as a true gift from the heart. We received a letter thanking us for our generous contribution. Each year, REMTC gives to a charitable organization selected by our members. If you have a deserving recipient organization to suggest, it can be brought to the attention of the club at a meeting.

MONTHLY LIST FOR DESSERTS

Dessert should be enough for 40 and bring paper plates and plastic folks.
If you can’t make the meeting, switch for another date or call a substitute.

January  Jeannine Clary
February  Linda Mori
March     Pam Johnson
April     Cindy Vining
May      Chris Rich
June      Robin Summerfield
July      Patty Girman
August    Open
September Fernie Newlin
October   Ginny Rich
November  Gwen Brown
December  Judy Konvalinka

Some pretty examples of 1920’s loose-fitting dropped waist “flappers” dresses.
December 15th, our 6th and final Flash Tour of the year began cold with a chance of rain forecast. None of that was going to deter the hardy Model T’ers who gathered at Coddington-town and toured over for a substantial breakfast at the Omelette Express. From there, they toured over to Reindeer Ridge Christmas Tree Farm to enjoy a ride on Steve Vining’s John Deer tractor. Steve’s dad took the group for a spin around the farm and some folks picked out a tree. Hot apple cider was a welcome treat. The “Spirit of Christmas” was starting to become evident as the smell of Christmas Fir and pine trees filled the air!! As the T’s left the farm, some folks that had further to go got a little wet. All and all a successful first year for our Flash Tour adventures. What will next year bring?
Academy of Arts University

Auto Museum Tour

A REMTC special event tour will be hosted by Steve and Jeann Nelson.
We will meet at
Rohnert Park “Park & Ride:” parking lot at 9:00 am
and tour the museum about 10-10:30 am.

The connection between a classic car collection and an art school might not make sense at first, but this is the private collection of the family behind the university, not to mention the fact that the Academy also has a car design program. The entire collection was recently moved to the massive former Mercedes showcase at 950 Van Ness Ave. The multi-story building is stuffed to the gills with beautiful, perfectly-restored antique machines. This build-

We have reserved vans which hold seven passengers each. Cost of van will be approx. $16 ea. for rental and gas. Cost of the tour of the museum is $10

We are working on a place to lunch together after the tour, details to follow.

We need definite RSVP’s so we know how many vans to reserve.
Please e-mail, ginnylee@sonic.net or call 887-9585 with the number of people attending.

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Christmas 2012

Our Christmas party at Quail Inn Restaurant was well planned due to the creative work of Linda Mori and Fern Newlin. The pretty centerpieces were donated by Fern and were raffled off with about 8 members winning their choice. Incoming President, Steve Vining presented out-going President, Chris Rich a basket with unique items and some specially made by Cindy Vining. Bill Newlin started and led the singing with Christian playing keyboard. I really think we get better each time. The REMTC Carolers sang first with the rest chiming in. Another year approaching with the promise of a new tour season and time to get the work done to spruce up the T’s.
Christmas Party 2012

John & Patty Girman looking like Christmas

Clare looked lovely even without her hat which was gorgeous.

Jack & Gail Mulkey getting into the singing spirit.

Looks like Steve is real happy about being President for 2013. Party on, Steve!

Con is his name and making deals is his game.

Joan & Chris relaxing after a year of being President and putting on tours.
Now what we have here...

Pat & Sandy O’Halloran

John & Patty Girman

Christian & Fern

Doug & Fritzie

Cindy Vining

Andy & Jeannine

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