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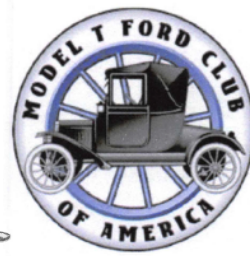
Time to make the
headlamps smile.

We "auto" carve the
pumpkins
and
light the candles.





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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's October already. The overnighter is past and was quite a success. Continued thanks to Mike and Jean for hosting a great tour.

Remember we will be having the photo contest drawing at the October meeting, so this is your last chance to submit for entry. Contact Jeanne Nelson to submit photos. The winner will receive one year's membership in both the REMTC and the MTFCA. Jeanne Nelson is not eligible because she won last year.

The membership committee is working to fill the club posts for next year. If you want to hold an office talk to Mike Chirhart, Steve Vining or me this month. Elections at the November meeting.

Note that the President's tour has been cancelled and watch for a flash tour in October.

Andy

CHAPTER INFORMATION

The Pedal Pusher is a monthly publication of Redwood Empire Model T Club (REMTC)
P.O. Box 1058, Forestville, CA 95436

The Dues are \$30 a year for an individual or for a couple.

Students - no fee - includes only the emailed REMTC newsletter.

Charter members at age 85 - Honorary

The club holds a general meeting on the first Thursday of the month at the Round Table Pizza Restaurant's meeting room on Marlow Rd., in Santa Rosa.

Members and guests are welcome to attend.

REMTC Website

www.remtc.org

NATIONAL AFFILIATION

REMTC is an official non-profit chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America (MTFCA),
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Website: <http://www.mtfca.com>

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Redwood Empire Model T Club

at

Round Table Pizza, Marlow Road, Santa Rosa

Gone to Mt. Shasta Overnighter so there was No September 2019 Meeting

Next meeting is October 3, 2019

THE RUNNING BOARD

EVENT CANCELLED *President's Tour*

hosted by Andy Clary

Sunday, December 8, 2019 **CHRISTMAS DINNER**

See the flyer in this newsletter to select meal and make reservation

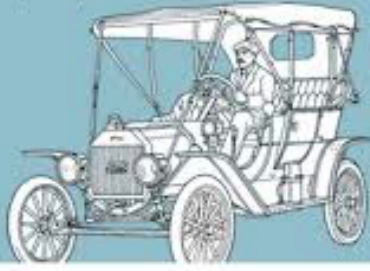
at the

Oakmont Golf Club, 7020 Oakmont Dr., Santa Rosa

5:30 p.m - 8:30 p.m.

PLEASE BRING AN UNWRAPPED TOY TO BE DONATED

May you live to be so old that your
driving terrifies people.



HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Patrick O'Halloran

Robin Summerfield

Richard Winterhalder

Pete Rich

Fran Faraudo

Judy Smith

Fred Byl



Richard & AnneMarie Winterhalder on the 10th

Steve & Debbie Cavalli on the 25th

Submitting Your Articles and Photos to the Newsletter

REMTC members are encouraged to submit original stories, photos, ads, events/tours you are planning, jokes, brain teasers, information about Model Ts, info/photos relating to the timeframe when Ts were manufactured, or anything that gets your motor running.

Submit items to:

or on a USB Drive

MEETING DESSERTS for 2019

*Please bring dessert for 40 people,
and if needed,
bring paper plates and plastic forks.
If you can't make the meeting you have
signed-up for, please call a substitute.*

JANUARY 3rd - Jeannine Clary

FEBRUARY 7th - Patty Girman

MARCH 7th - Gwen Brown

APRIL 4th - Steve & Debbie Cavalli

MAY 2nd - Jean & Mike Chirhart

JUNE 6th - Chris Rich

JULY 11th - No Meeting

AUGUST 1st - Don & Pam Johnson

SEPTEMBER 5th - No Meeting

OCTOBER 3rd - Cindy Vining & Joyce Toms

NOVEMBER 7th - Betsy & Rich Randolph

DECEMBER 5th - Nanette Chuck

THE ROAD AHEAD

Sunday, December 8, 2019

CHRISTMAS DINNER

at the
Oakmont Golf Club
7020 Oakmont Drive, Santa Rosa

5:30 p.m - 8:30 p.m.

Choose Your Entrees:

1. ____ Salmon Picatta with roasted seasonal vegetables and creamy mashed potatoes
2. ____ Grilled Tri-Tip with Red Wine Reduction sauce, roasted seasonal vegetables and creamy mashed potatoes
3. ____ Vegetarian Meal with roasted seasonal vegetables and creamy mashed potatoes

Dessert: Tiramisu

Vintage Dress Encouraged

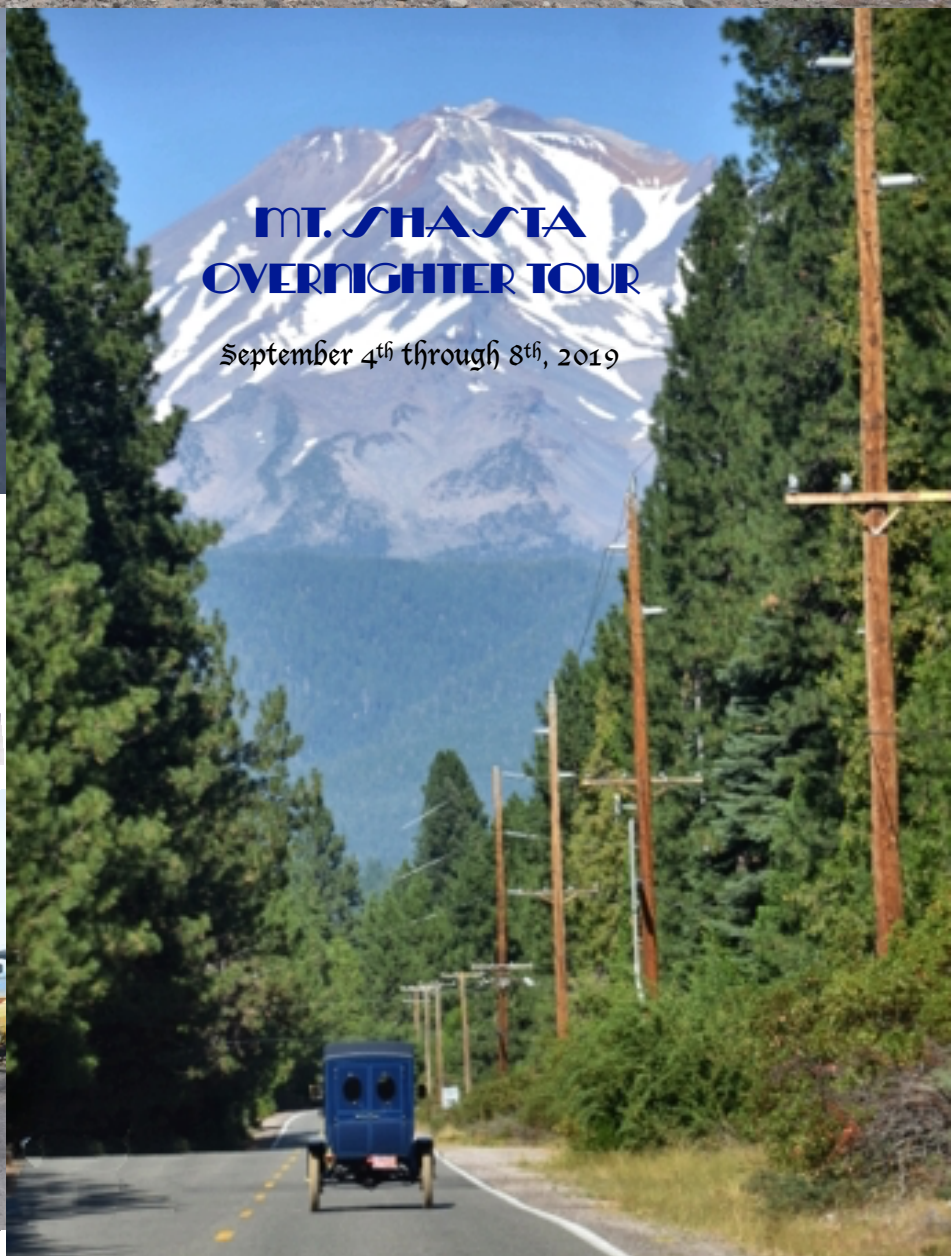
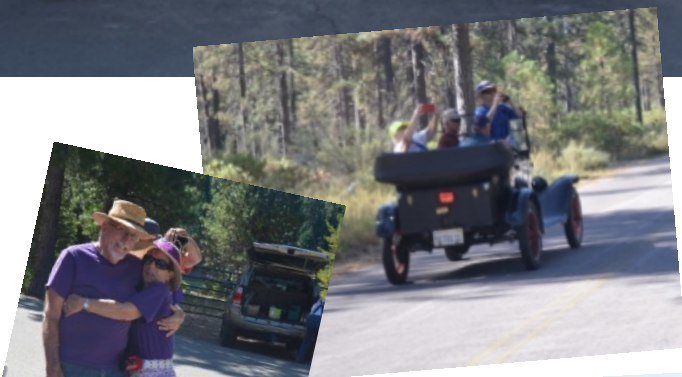
Send your *meal choice* and *check* for \$45 per person made out to **REMTC**
No later than November 27, 2019

to:

Dianna Shimkowski

Rohnert Park, CA 94928

IN THE REAR VIEW MIRROR









2019 Mt. Shasta Overnight Tour

By Jeannine Clary

Andy and I arrived at the Swiss Holiday Lodge on Tuesday and found Mike and Jean relaxing by the pool, enjoying a few moments of quiet time before the club would start arriving the following day. Mike and Jean came out to greet us, with Mike showing Andy where to park his truck and trailer, and Jean helping us unload our luggage, encouraging me to come join her at the pool. That took me five minutes, and we were out at the pool, no arguments with that suggestion. About two hours later, Larry and Robin showed up, they were shown where to park and a few minutes later, joined us by the pool. (I see a theme here). We discussed dinner, and with all in agreement this warm and inviting evening, an easy BBQ would be a good idea, and so we did. When Richard and Nanette arrived, we showed them the parking routine, and they joined us for dinner. Perfect timing on their part, and we had just enough for two more people. The evening was beautiful and filled with conversations until we started to fade out about 9:00 and decided to retire to our rooms.

Wednesday started out as a low-key day. After breakfast, Andy and I went with Jean and Mike to run errands and confirm arrangements for the tour. The afternoon speeded up as Tour participants started arriving around 2:00 with most having arrived by 5:30. That evening, Mike and Jean had ordered trays of pull-a-part sandwiches, wraps, veggies, fruits, cookies, chips, along with beer, wine, and sodas for our Happy Hour. Everyone enjoyed the wonderful evening of food, drink, and conversation that went on well into the night.

Thursday was our first tour day, and the excitement filled the air. After everyone had breakfast and their morning cup of joe, we heard the horn from Mike's Model T signaling it was time to gather for the drivers meeting. After our 8:45 drivers meeting with a reminder to pick up our snack bags, we were on the road at 9:05. Today would be our longest driving day, about 125 miles, as we were heading for the falls. Driving through the Shasta area is beautiful, with towering trees all around, and the view of Mt. Shasta in our sights most of the time. One thing we couldn't predict was all the road construction, which held us up at times, but the roads were great to drive on. We visited Lower Falls and proceeded to Middle Falls, and then to Upper Falls. Each of the Falls brought us a different view that included people fishing and enjoying the area. After a few minutes at each of the Falls, we proceeded about 30 miles to our lunch stop at Fall River Valley Country Club where they had prepared a delicious meal of chicken, BBQ ribs, pasta salad, potato salad, watermelon, beans and bread, and for dessert, they served us lemon cheese cake. It was a lot of food. After lunch, we desperately needed to find a place to fuel up our cars as the road construction caused us to miss our fuel stop at Fall River City. Mike lead the procession of cars just past the Burney turn-off to the gas station, then lead us back to visit Burney Falls. All the Falls were beautiful, but Burney Falls topped them all. After we were through walking down and around the Falls, we started our drive back to the hotel. Some of the road signs had interesting names such as Dead Horse Summit, and Sheep Heaven Road making us wonder what ever happened to give the roads those names. It will give us something we can look into when we get home. We had about 50 miles to go from Burney Falls to return to our hotels. Once we returned, a couple of us retreated to the pool and hot tub to relax after a long day. Happy hour started up shortly after more cars returned, with lots of food and drink to go around. Everyone told stories of their day's adventures and how enjoyable the Falls were.

Friday, after breakfast, there was a flurry of activity to drive downtown to fuel up for the day's tour. After all were back at the hotel, it wasn't long before we heard the horn from Mike's Model T to warn us that the drivers meeting was starting which would give us an overview of what to expect for the day, and a reminder to take a snack bag. Once on the road, we drove by a display of vibrantly painted, in blues, purples, greens, etc., water trucks and semis. Mike had hoped to get us a tour of these trucks, but the owner was not available, he is a fire fighter, and was off fighting fires. This was an unusual collection of vehicles that you wouldn't find anywhere else.

From here, we drove to the oldest fish hatchery in California, where there was also a museum. There was a docent for the Mt Shasta Fish Hatchery, and for the Mt. Shasta Sisson Museum so we split-up our group between the two tours.

The Hatchery supplies fish eggs to many of the hatcheries around the country. The fish swam around the edge of the ponds waiting for us to feed them. They seemed to be well trained. I found it very interesting to hear about how they handle the problems caused by snow, and birds etc., and how they extract the eggs by blowing the eggs out of the fish.

The Mt. Shasta Sisson Museum was, also, just as interesting. If you enjoy hearing and seeing displays about the history of Shasta, this is the place to visit; they even had a Model T Fire Truck on display. How perfect is that!

From here, we drove to Lake Siskiyou, where we stopped to have lunch, take photos, and walk around. We had bag lunches which contained huge sandwiches, salad, chips and cookie which was enough for dinner that night if you wanted. Really good! After lunch, we walked across the bridge to take a better look at the lake, and crossed to the other side to look at the spillways. From here, we were planning on venturing into Castle Crags Wilderness area but with the road construction going on, we were not able to access this area. We discussed the plan of driving to Castle Lake. About half of the cars drove to Castle Lake, the other half either drove back to the hotel or detoured into town to shop. After everyone returned to the hotel and rested up, we gathered outside for happy hour with more food and drinks. There were lawn games that were played and the competition was fierce. This went on for most of the evening. Lots of fun!

Saturday was our last day of touring, and Mike signaled again with his horn and everyone came to attention. We had already encountered the most beautiful scenery on the first two tours, and were looking forward to what this tour held for us. Mike began by informing us that we would be driving up to elevations of 7900' and that it would be prudent to have a full tank of fuel and bring something for your arms, as the temperature will be about 10+ degrees cooler. Our total miles for the day would be about 30 miles, with most of the miles being up Mt. Shasta. Once we departed for our tour, it didn't take long for us to reach the base of Mt. Shasta. We started our ascent and traveled about 9 miles to reach Bunny Flats. We gathered there to regroup and to take a break. After we were all gathered and ready to proceed up to Panther Meadows, Mike lead the way. There were amazing views on our way up to 7900'. The T's seemed to run pretty good with some minor issues, but nothing too serious. Panther Meadows is a very serene place to visit. It gave you the feeling of calmness. Before we left the mountain, we all had our photos taken with Mt. Shasta in the background. We stopped at Bunny Flats on our way down to regroup, then started out for lunch.

Our lunch stop was a Pizza House called "Say Cheese Pizza," where we had salads, pizza and drinks. After Lunch, we headed by to the hotel for some fun and car games. Our first car game was "Tea for Two." Several of us volunteered to help out with filling the wine glasses with water and measuring the amount of water left after running over wooded blocks. This proved to be a challenging game. Our second car game was "Crank in the Box." Placing the crank of your Model T into the slot in the box without going too far. Mike and Jean would announce the winners at the banquet that night.

After the games, we all got cleaned-up, some in vintage attire, and drove our T's to the head of the Sacramento River where the banquet was held in the City Park Rec. Room. Upon our arrival, you couldn't help but notice the fun table centerpieces. They were model T parts that were fastened to wooden platforms which were decorated with flowers. Great idea! Before dinner, Mike and Jean pulled names out of a hat and everyone eventually received a prize. They also, gave out the awards for the car games - Steve Vining and Chris Rich were the winners. Our dinner consisted of Prime Rib, potatoes with cheese, roasted vegetables, salad, bread, cheesecake for dessert, and different kinds of wine and soft drinks. It was a fun evening for everyone.

Mike and Jean put their hearts into this tour, and it showed with all the details that they covered, from the tour bags with our logos, to the insulated water bottles that had our logo printed on them, the spiral bound tour books, and all the places where we had our lunches, our happy hour in the evenings, car games, and the list goes on. This tour was wonderful, with beautiful scenery and great weather.

Thank-you to Mike and Jean for a perfect tour. All of us had a wonderful time.

R.E.M.T.C. T-shirts For Sale

T-shirts are available for purchase in Ladies or Mens styles, with color choices. The shirts are \$20. The National Tour logo is the art work of Steve and Cindy Vining's daughter, Jody, and her husband, David.



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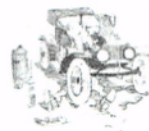
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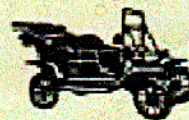


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