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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Redwood Empire Model Ters,

We had a really nice "Taste of Italy," ably hosted by Con & Fran Faraudo—great weather, good attendance and good company. Thanks to the Faraudo's and many members of REMTC for making it happen. I really enjoyed it.

Also, Steve Vining and I gave a presentation to the Exchange Club in August. Take a look at the brief article about it in this month's Pedal Pusher. It was an unusual experience but a pleasant one.

I got a call from a prospective member this past month. He was planning on finishing up a Model T that he was working on and then joining the club. I suggested that this was the wrong order. He should join the club, and then finish his Model T. That got me thinking. One of the real benefits of membership in REMTC is the access to all the expertise of our members. Talking with members about current Model T problems can save you a lot of effort and money. I hope all of you take advantage of this valuable resource.

Finally, we have a couple of events coming up this month. REMTC has been invited to participate in the celebration of the re-opening of the Wohler Bridge. Next up after that is the Annual T & A Tour. Check the Pedal Pusher or the website for more details. Hope to see you there!

John Girman

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 family in the same household.
Students - no fee - includes only the emailed REMTC newsletter.
Charter members after 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.

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www.remtc.org

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Redwood Empire Model T Club

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

August 4, 2022

Round Table Pizza, Marlow Road, Santa Rosa, California

Attendance: 26 members in attendance.

President: John Girman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Secretary's Report: Sandy O'Halloran read the secretary's report for July 7, 2022. The report was accepted by Steve Cavalli and seconded by Jeanine Clary.

Treasurer's Report: Patty Girman gave the Treasurer's report.

Sunshine Report: Dianna Shimkowski reported that she sent the Chucks a card thanking for their participation and service to the club and for the continued newsletters. She also sent cards to Dan McEachern and Cindy Vining's mom, Joyce. She also reported that she sold four of Ginny's hats to Hot Couture and will be donating the proceeds to our club in Ginny's honor.

Tour Report: Mike Chirhart reported on upcoming tours and events. Upcoming tours mentioned were Taste of Italy event on Aug 13th, the Wohler bridge event, Sept 10th, the T & A tour is on September 17th and will have a trouble truck. Please see the monthly newsletter and emails for more details. Also, the Germans invited us to join them on their Italy tour in Sept 2023.

Special Events: Vince was not present. No report.

Librarian's Report: Jeannine Clary gave an overview about a book about engines. She plans to share overviews of different books each month.

Webmaster Report: Steve Vining reported there are a lot of pictures on the website.

Editor's Report: Nothing to report.

Membership Report: Nothing to report.

Historian Report: Nothing to report.

Scholarship Report: Andy Clary said thanks for participating in the raffle.

Old Business: Regarding the Yard Sale, thanks to Con, Fran and all who helped. Special thanks to Jeannine for all her hard work.

New Business: Milt Webb passed away. He was associated with California Automobile Museum of Sacramento (formerly Towe Ford Museum).

A group called the CCOP Group, has offered to help club members with the cost of their planned tours if the cost is greater than \$100.

Model T Moments: Mike is getting closer to finishing his new car. Hoping it will be completed by Sept 10th so he can drive it to the Wohler Bridge event. John Girman showed the pinion that broke on his car during a recent tour. Andy Clary pointed out that the keyway had been cut in a way that weakened the gear and contributed to its fracture into three pieces.

Dessert Provided by: Pam Johnson

Meeting Adjourned: at 7:34 pm, accepted by Steve Vining, Seconded by Pete Rich

Respectfully submitted by, *Sandy O'Halloran*, REMTC Secretary

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Janet Avakian

Donna Jones

Joyce Toms

Joan Henderson

Chris Burkhardt

Robert Taylor

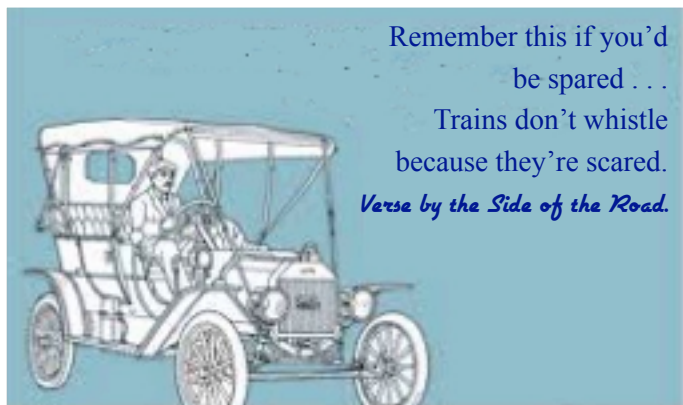
Colleen Hogan

Debbie Cavalli

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

ROBERT & STELLA DUNNE

TIM MCALISTER



EDITOR'S NOTE:

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GENERAL MEETING DESSERTS FOR 2022

PLEASE BRING DESSERT FOR 40 PEOPLE,
AND IF NEEDED, BRING PAPER PLATES AND PLASTIC FORKS.

IF YOU CAN'T MAKE IT TO THE MEETING,
PLEASE CALL A SUBSTITUTE.

JANUARY 6TH -

FEBRUARY 3RD - JEANNINE CLARY

MARCH 3RD - DIANNA SHIMKOWSKI

APRIL 7TH - FRAN FARAUDO

MAY 5TH - SANDY O'HALLORAN

JUNE 2ND - JEAN CHIRHART

JULY 7TH - CYRUS ESTES

AUGUST 4TH - PAM JOHNSON

SEPTEMBER 1ST - SEBASTIAN AMBRA

OCTOBER 6TH - CINDY VINING

NOVEMBER 3RD - GWEN BROWN

DECEMBER - 1ST - PATTY GIRMAN

THE RUNNING BOARD

September 2022

Saturday, September 10, 2022 WOHLER BRIDGE 100 Year Commemorative Tour

Hosted by Mike & Jean Chirhart - leave Carr's Drive-In, Forestville at 1:00 p.m.

4 mile drive arriving Dreisback's at 1:15 p.m. for refreshments & beverages

Vintage attire preferred The Press Democrat Newspaper will be taking photos

Sunday, September 11, 2022 Gatsby Summer Afternoon

Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate - Oakland 1PM to 6PM

Presented by the Art Deco Society of California

Saturday, September 17th, 2022 T & A Tour

Leaving Galvin Community Park 8:30.M.

by the Yulupa & Bennett Valley signal light (next to Bennett Valley Golf Club)

Bring a chair, and Lunch to enjoy at the Soloman's home on our way back

Saturday, September 17, 2022. Antique Autos in History in San Jose

www.scvmtfc.org

October 2022

Saturday, October 1, 2022 25th Annual Orange County Model T Ford Club

Pre War (WWII) Parts Exchange & Car Show

Jack Smith (714) 529-6653 jmodelt@aol.com

Watch for a Flash Tour

November 2022

November - TURKEY TROT Tour (weather permitting)

December 2022

Sunday, December 11, 2022 CHRISTMAS DINNER



A TASTE OF ITALY

August 13, 2022

Photos by Ted Shimkowski



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We had an unusually late start for this *Taste of Italy* tour. We gathered at Raley's on Fulton Road at 11:00 a.m. (No donuts or coffee). Mike Chirhart had planned a short tour to Faraudo's home. Con and Fran were setting up the "Taste" for us.

The tour was just an hour or so, but it is always wonderful to see the county from a Model T. We wound around Vine Hill Road, Starr Road and back down Fulton Road ending at Faraudo's home. We went right by the Haase home. Even though we were on many city roads, most of them didn't have stop signs. Many members were waiting for us as we arrived at the "tasting." Those of us on the tour were looking for shade when we got there (especially those of us in open cars).

The appetizers were put out to keep us busy while Con finished the Italian part of the lunch. The lunch was spaghetti, salad, rolls, and other goodies brought by members. Most of the appetizers were gone before lunch! When we finished our lunch, cookies and apple crisp was waiting for us. Many of us sat on the lawn at tables in the shade of the trees. The tables were topped with small lovely vases of flowers.

What a wonderful way to end a day.

Those attending were: Clary, Shimkowski, Chirhart, Summerfield, Brown, Vining, Girman, Rich (Pete and friend Sherry, Chris and Joan), Haase, Donna Jones, George Jones, Faraudo and daughter. Also Peter, David and Jerry in Peter's 1915 touring. This was the first time Peter has toured with us. They drove all the way here from Napa. It was so nice to meet all of you. (Hope I didn't forget anyone.)

Can't leave without expressing our thanks to Con and Fran for the good food and the beautiful site for this "Taste of Italy."
Thank You so much.

Story by *Jeanne Nelson*





YARD SALE

July 23/24, 2022



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FRIDAY, July 22

Several members showed up at Faraudo's home around 7 p.m. on Friday, July 22nd to help with the set-up for the Club yard sale. We were selling the remainder of the clothes from the Ladies Clothing exchange earlier in the year. In order to make the sale a success, club members collect yard sale items from home and friends. Jeannine Clary was chairperson for this fund raiser.

We set up tables in Faraudo's side yard and began to sort, and price the items. It wasn't an easy task since we all had different ideas of how to price things. The men helped with the pricing of the tools and such things. It took us awhile to figure out how to hang the many hats so people could see them and even try them on. We finally figured out how to string a line between the two trees and hold them on with clothes pins. Just one of the many things we changed around more than once.

While we were all working hard, Fran was putting together a really nice lunch for the workers. She also had plenty of water to keep us cool.

SATURDAY, July 23

Saturday morning found some of the same members as well as additional members there to help with the actual sale. Robin Summerfield, Diana Shimkowski, Micci Ryberg, and Jeanne Nelson were there to help customers. David Ryberg was in charge of directing the incoming cars to park in the back field. The sale opened at 8 a.m., but the attendance was slow. After Jeanne Nelson and Robin Summerfield tore up some unused boxes for signs, Larry and Robin Summerfield placed the signs at a couple of intersections, then the shoppers increased. The big excitement for this day was an accident that happen right in front of the sale. By the end of the day, we had made quite a dent in the items for sale. The sale ended at 2 p.m. but we had a few stragglers looking. We covered up most of the tables with tarps to hold the items down if the wind came up.

SUNDAY, July 24

Sunday brought another slow start, but customers increased after about 11:00 a.m. Seemed like they all went to church first! Some things even went for free. At 1:00 p.m., everyone began to help pack up the remaining items for delivery to the Goodwill. Jeannine would take the Antique clothes, hats, etc. to a store downtown that sometimes will take that type of things. The men took all the tables down and put them away. We all knew the sale was a success!

Our thanks go out to all the REMTC members who put in days of their time to help make this Yard Sale a big success! A special thanks goes to Jeannine Clary for all the planning and leading this fund raiser. We also want to thank Fran and Con Faraudo for use of their yard and for the wonderful lunch they made for us.

FOR SALE



At left: 1919 Model T coupe.
Runs well and has been on recent tours.
Has nice interior and solid body. \$12,500



Above: 1930 Model A Roadster pickup. Rare; only about 3,000 produced, older restoration still looks good; has Mitchel overdrive. \$22,500.

Pete Rich, 707 887-9585. modelt@sonic.net



FOR SALE

1914 speedster.
8 plug Rajo head with McLaren wheels, 2 speed Moore trans.
Nice speedster with lots of goodies.
Asking \$15k.
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Car is located in Sebastopol.

Presentation at the Exchange Club

By John Girman

Last February, I was contacted by Linda Carlson of the Exchange Club of Santa Rosa. The Exchange Club is a national service club whose mission is to provide community service, in particular, to raise funds and assist charities in the local community. Their current emphasis is on helping the homeless and stopping child abuse. They had seen the newspaper article about how our club provided a ride in a Model T to a Sonoma resident celebrating his 100th birthday and were curious about our club. I agreed to give a presentation to a small group about our club and its activities. Numerous scheduling conflicts meant that this didn't happen until August.

Steve Vining and I put together a brief PowerPoint presentation and met with them at the Kaffe Mocha in Santa Rosa. The presentation had three topics: (1) what REMTC is; (2) what we do, including our community service; and (3) a description of the Model T as well as its impact on America. The presentation was well received and we had a good discussion about our club and the Model T. They shared stories about Model Ts and asked questions about its operation and how we maintained them. Steve invited them to stop by one of our activities and catch a ride in a Model T. Who knows, one of them may show up at some point.

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