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**Mile High Chapter of the Model T Ford
Club of America, Denver, Colorado**
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Headlamps



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Join the board. You'd look great here!



Presidents Message

Friends of the Model T:

The race is on. I updated the worksheet I use to track Chapter tour points. There are several members who are in the race for 2017. Mel and Mark May took Mel's 1917 roadster to the Sheridan H.S. All Ford event and the Landmark Lincoln Ford Product car show. The other Ts at these 2 events did not belong to members so Mel is now a co-leader in the 2017 tour points race. The points worksheet is on our website. The Palmer Lake Tour, the October general meeting lunch and the Veterans Day Parade will decide who gets the most points for 2017.

We have booked The Forney Museum meeting room for the January Banquet. The event will be Saturday, 1/27/18 from 11:00 to 1:00. More details will be included in the November Newsletter.

I joined our Chapter in 2010. Each year since the Board members have made telephone calls in the fall to provide updates and request volunteers for next year's Board. I understand from folks who have been members for decades that this practice started a long time ago. In recent years the Board members have had little success getting in touch with Chapter members. We are going to try a different approach this year. In early October you should receive a letter from the Board.

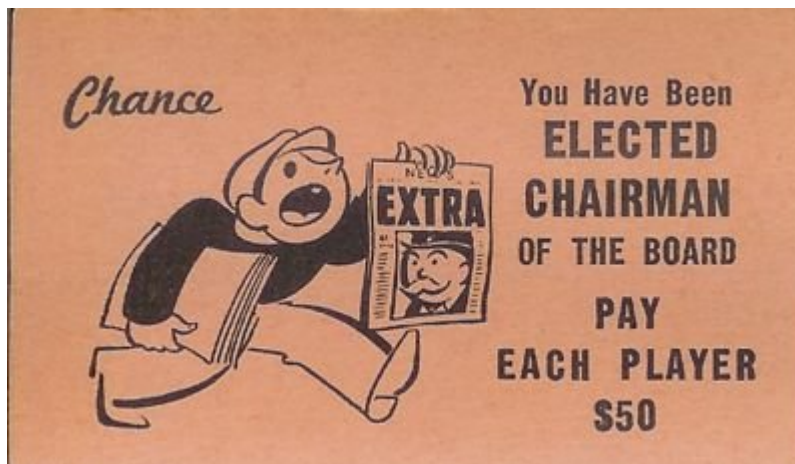
Make sure to RSVP for the Head Gasket Seminar on 10/14. When I last talked to Ron he had 2 cars lined up to use in his demonstration. I hope to see you there.

Safe Travels,

Brian Golden

Memberabilia

Now is the time to put your hat in the ring and run for board member! Put your talents and experience to good use.



You can pay me my \$50 ahead of time. No Monopoly money, please. Ed.

Upcoming Events

***October 7, 9am meetup, 9:30 departure—Palmer Lake Tour. Saturday.** Starts and ends at the Elizabeth Walmart. See page 5 for details.



October 14. – 9:30/10—Head gasket seminar, by Ron Jackson. Saturday. 7644 Vance Dr., Arvada. Coffee and Donuts, 9:30. Seminar proper at 10. Lunch provided—Your membership dues at work! Enroll by calling Ron, 720 220 4744, or someone else will eat your doughnut!



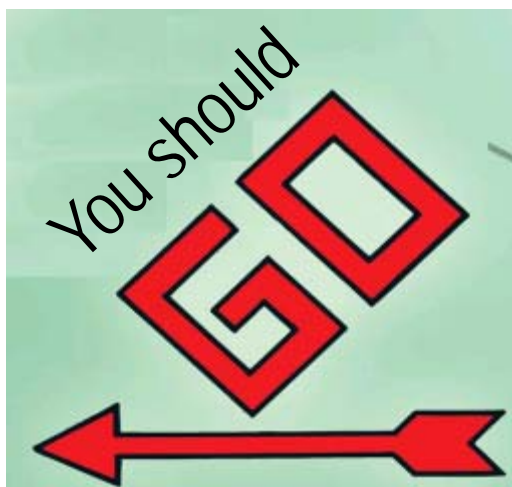
***October 28, Noon—General Meeting, Saturday.** Lunch at Tia Maria's at 7260 Pecos. Parking of T's in their lot. Back room for us, holds 50 people. Order from menu, separate checks, etc. Good place. My (Roy's) favorite Mex. place. Family owned; just finished 20 years in Denver.



November 17, 7pm—General Meeting, third Friday (to dodge Thanksgiving), Echo Park



December 15, 7pm—General Meeting, third Friday, (to dodge, well, Ho Ho Ho), Echo Park. **GIFT EXCHANGE!**



Model T Club Calendar of Events Cut and Save!

*October 7, 10 am - 2 pm—Palmer Lake
Tour. Starts and ends at the Elizabeth Walmart.
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Check out the calendar.



There's something for everyone.

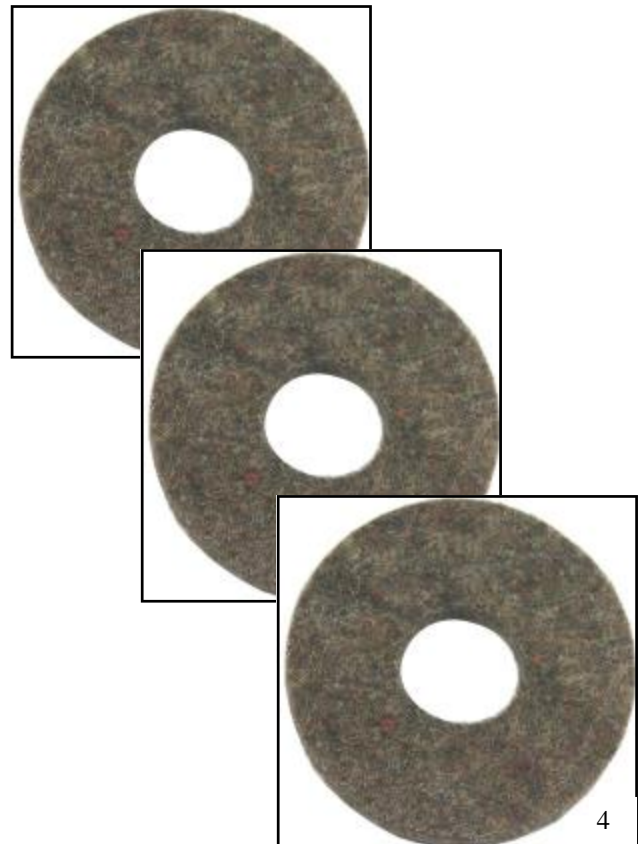
Huson's Hints

This month we have a classic Dave Huson hint from 2002, on axel seals. This was posted on the Lone Star T's web site:

Q: I am trying to figure out how to replace the inner seals (behind the bearings) on my 26 coupe, the front came out ok and the bearing even though it hasn't been greased in years. Any ideas?
Thanks

Dave: When you replace your seals DON'T use the type with the spring steel fingers. If you get them in wrong they can cut an axle in half real fast. If you have a 26/27 you will have the spring steal finger type and you must pull your bearing race out to remove them.

Throw the steel finger grease seals as far as you can and get some other type. The suppliers are selling one with neoprene and another one is the old felt that was used in original T times. If you use the felt put in at least 2 and better three on each side.



Palmer Lake Tour, with updated detail:

The Palmer Lake Tour on 10/7/17 includes a picnic at the Lake. Bring your own food. We will have coffee and rolls at the Elizabeth Walmart starting at 9:00. We will leave Walmart at 9:30, give or take. We will get to Palmer Lake at 11:30, give or take. We are going to stop at Monument, a few miles from Palmer Lake for food for those of us that do not pack a lunch and or need a rest stop. We have the Pavilion east of Palmer Lake reserved from 10:00 until 2:00. If you are not bringing a T but would like to join picnic meet us at the Lake or follow the Ts from Elizabeth.

From: **2100 Legacy Circle, Elizabeth, CO**
 To: **2100 Legacy Circle, Elizabeth, CO**
 Total Distance: **74.8 miles**
 Total Est. Time: **1 hr., 40 min.**

Leg 1 Directions

2100 Legacy Circle, Elizabeth, CO
99 CO-105, Palmer Lake, CO 80133
Distance: 34.6 miles - Time: 44 min.

1. Head south toward Legacy Cir - Drive for 354 feet
2. Turn right onto Legacy Cir - Drive for 0.4 miles
3. Turn left onto CO-86 W - Drive for 3.0 miles
4. Turn left onto Deerfield Rd - Drive for 2.2 miles
5. Turn left onto Russellville Rd - Drive for 7.8 miles
6. Turn left onto CO-83 S - Drive for 12.3 miles

7. Turn right onto CO-105 W - Drive for 5.1 miles
8. Turn right to stay on CO-105 W - Drive for 3.7 miles

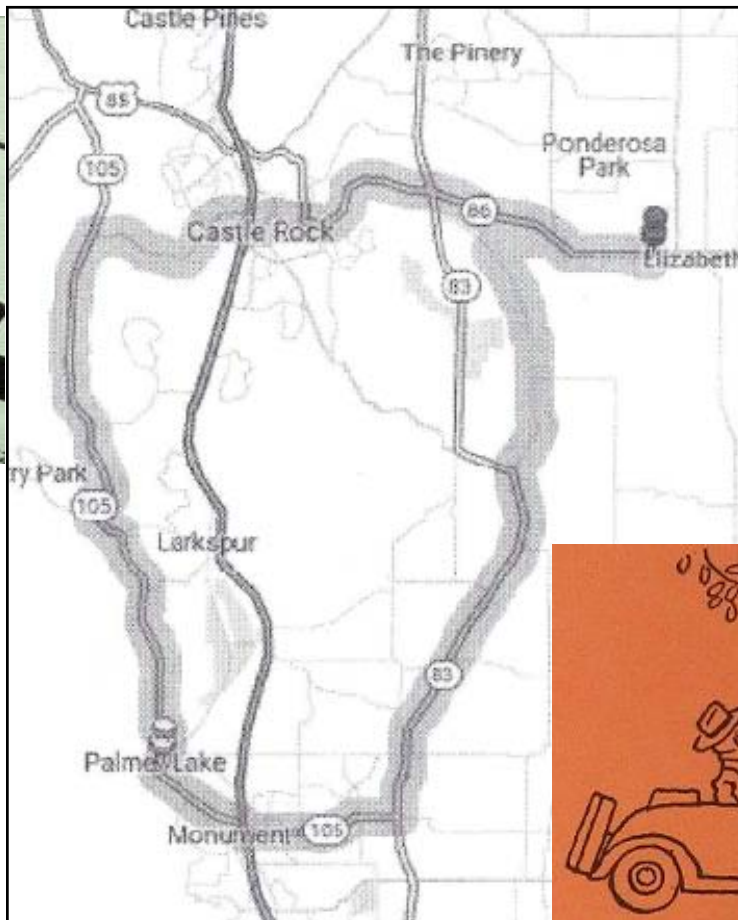
Leg 2 Directions

99 CO-105, Palmer Lake, CO 80133
2100 Legacy Circle, Elizabeth, CO
Distance: 40.3 miles - Time: 55 min.

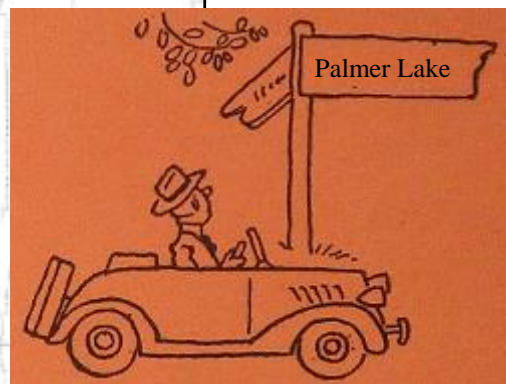
9. Head northeast on CO-105 W toward Larkspur St - Drive for 0.3 miles
10. Turn left onto CO-105 W/S Perry Park Rd - Drive for 18.9 miles
11. Turn right onto W Wolfensberger Rd - Drive for 5.8 miles
12. Turn right onto Park St - Drive for 0.5 miles
13. Continue onto 5th St - Drive for 2.0 miles
14. Continue onto CO-86 E - Drive for 12.2 miles
15. Turn right onto Legacy Cir - Drive for 0.4 miles
16. Turn left - Destination will be on the left - Drive for 354 feet



Take a chance . . .



. . . and join the tour.



T-vent Pictures and Reports: General Meeting and Chili Night

09/22/2017 We who ventured over to the September general meeting found ourselves enlightened in several ways.

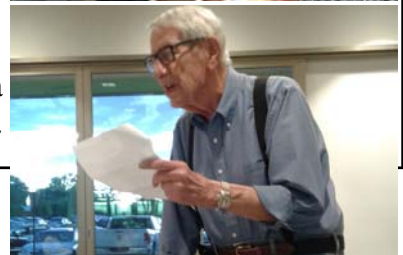
Jim told us what the car counsel is up to.



We discovered who can make chili, and who can pack it away. (The two types are not mutually exclusive.)



We found out just how far Roy would go to embarrass someone—a plaque and an original poem! See below.



Roy waxes poetic.

ON DRIVING THE MODEL T - by Roy Hess

Larry and Roy co-purchased a toy
A '22 Ford Model T
The body is wood and it looks pretty good
But driving's a small mystery.

Roy'd done it before, and said that once more,
He'd give it a try just to prove
If the memory stayed and could be replayed,
The T then could actually move.

We drove it around, and finally
found
It needed some changes to beat
Roy's panicky mind and to leave
fear behind
When driving the T on the
street.

So change it we did, and finally
kid -

The problems - were all in the past.
It drives pretty fine and we knew it was time
To host lessons for Larry - AT LAST!

We chose parking lots as just perfect spots
No cars, kids, or problems, just us.
Turn left and then right, some broad and some
tight



Larry drove round with never a fuss.
Then to the street, where it's more of a feat
To stay off the sidewalks or border
It requires concentration and coordination
Of brain, hands, and feet - in that order.

Larry's solos were fine and we figured
it time,
He could go it alone and be bold
Up hill and down, Larry drove it
around
And decided the lessons took hold.

Then came Saturday, the 20th of May
There's a picnic with many a Ford
To trailer it then, Jeff showed up just
when
Larry wanted to put it aboard.

Ready to go; Ford lined up just so,
Larry jumped in and fired up the car
He liked driving so well, he decided "oh hell!"
And drove it just ONE FOOT TOO FAR!!

For Sale / Parts Wanted

If you want to list a wanted or for-sale ad in the *Pedal Pushers*, please contact Gerry Hibbs at vrexrider@gmail.com

FOR SALE—1926 Ford Coupe. Starts, runs, good seat, needs work, Colorado title in process, \$6500. B.J. Esthay, [303 594-4097](tel:3035944097)

WANTED—Two rear top arms for a double Hassler to complete a set. These are the top arms that press down on top of the springs. (9/17)
+FOR SALE—Real nice drive shaft, good threads, good key slot, good bearing surface; fits a new front bushing snug, no play, \$50.00. U-Joint, used but good, \$59., TT Jack \$35. Carburetor installation tool, \$29. '26 Cam Gear Cover, \$29. Bendix, all new parts, \$59. 1909/11 Fan Bracket, \$29. Early drive shaft end hidden spool, very nice smooth inner bearing sleeve \$29. Drive Shaft Bearing: Tight cage, original oil grooves, \$29. Rear Axle Ring Gears: \$50.00, These are the best 25 out of many, many rear ends I have torn apart. Differential Spider and Gears: \$49.00, Used but good (little or no wear. Reverse Trani Drums \$155.00 ea. 1926 wide trani brake drum: \$155.00. Low Speed Trani Drum \$110.00. Pre 26 Trani Brake Drum \$110.00. Rear Axle Shafts: \$49.00 Ea. good threads, snug key slot, good gear, good bearing surface, straight. Just in today, Mint 1917 to 1923 Radiator shell \$49.00 Good straight shell. Ready to paint and install. Also into today, 1926 Cowl Vet Lid. \$24.00 Straight ready to paint and install. Dave Huson, 2116 Charro Ave. Longmont, Co. 80504. Phone [303-774-9246](tel:3037749246) (9/17)

FOR SALE—1924 Coupe. Richard Janney 303-875-0209. \$8000. Runs, drives. (9/17)

FOR SALE—12' x 72" trailer. Has double axles, electric brakes, and 2 loading ramps. \$1000 / OBO. Good for Model Ts, As, and UTVs.

+ WANTED—14' or 16' trailer width 84" Email Robert, rducharme@skybeam.com (9/17)

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7 WANTED—Ruckstell housing. I would

prefer a small backing plate but will use a large one if needed. I would also like to purchase Holley NH Cores.

Dave Huson, 2116 Charro Ave. Longmont, Co. 80504. Phone [303-774-9246](tel:3037749246) (11/17)

The following are paid advertisements



THE WOODEN SPOKE

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Front and rear axles

*Rick
Holdaway*

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and Drivetrain repairs*

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Ron Jackson The "T" Man

Model T Ford Parts
1909-1927



Restoration
&
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303-422-0906

720-220-4744

Denver, Colorado

If you would like to put your business card in the newsletter, email a copy to: vrexrider@gmail.com





The Mile High Chapter
Model T Ford Club
Of America

Renewal Deadline is February 1st
Membership fee is \$30.00 per year - If received after Feb 1st it is \$35.00

New Member: _____ Renewal: _____

(Please Print)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Spouse's Name: _____ Phone # _____

Cell Phone# (____) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Year and Model of Your Model T's: _____

MTFCA# _____ None: _____ (If not a current member of the national Model T Club)

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In compliance with the laws of Colorado, I certify that I have automobile liability insurance on my Model T Fords (and other cars used for club functions).

Company: _____

Owner's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return completed form and check to Frank Canino 4169 Osceola St. Denver, CO 80212



Mile High Chapter of the MTFCA The Model T Ford Club of America (MTFCA) was founded on December 12, 1965. The Mile High Chapter was formed on January 29, 1967. Both clubs were established to encourage and promote active interest in the Model T Ford and its history. These clubs are dedicated to providing information, assistance, history and direction to all interested parties. The cost for a yearly membership to the Mile High Chapter is \$30. This includes a subscription for the entire family at the same address to *Pedal Pushers*, the official newsletter of the Mile High Chapter.



Mile High Chapter Monthly Meetings Unless noted, general meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month, at the Echo Park Automotive at 500 East 104th Ave., Thornton, CO. Board meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month, and the location is decided at each board meeting. All club members are welcome to attend the board meeting. Board meeting dates are listed in the monthly newsletter, and the club website at www.milehighpedalpushers.com.

Model T Ford Club of America: Membership in the MTFCA is required of all Mile High Chapter club officers, and is encouraged for all club members. The cost for yearly membership is \$40, and includes an annual subscription to the *Vintage Ford Magazine*, which features articles about the Model T Ford and information about national club events. Please mail correspondence to MTFCA, P.O. Box 996 Richmond, Indiana 47375-0996, fax (765) 855-3428, email admin@mtfca.com, or call (765) 855-5248. website: www.mtfca.com.

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Milehigh Pedal Pushers Board Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2017 Board Minutes:

The Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 15th at the Panera Bread on 38th and Lowell.

Frank reported for Jessie that the current Chapter balance is \$1,853.79. We reviewed the schedule and a separate email to members was assigned to provide updates to upcoming events. (Please see email dated 9/17/17).

We reviewed a draft letter from the Board to members that will be mailed about 10/1/17. This letter

will replace the telephone calls the Board made to members in the fall each year.

We reviewed menus for the January Banquet to be held at Forney Museum.

Gary reported that he is making progress with his efforts to plan a tour around Cuchara CO. in late September next year. It would be a multiday event.

More details to follow. Respectfully submitted by Brian Golden on 9/20/17.

CCCC Meeting Minutes, September, 2017 (Abridged)

(The full set of minutes is available at CCCC's website, www.collectorcouncil.com)

Minutes of Meeting, 6 September 2017

Legislative prospects: Air quality, specifically ozone violations, may result in proposed regulations on vehicles as well as stationary sources.

Swap Meet: The meet(s) . . . future is uncertain since the . . . organizer . . . has taken up a new job . . .; Front Range Airport has expressed interest in its continuation but may not have management arrangements.

Cruiz'n Havana 2018: The 11th annual Cruise will be on June 11, 2018. Featured car will be a 1933 Chevrolet.

Longmont Cruise in 2018: . . . there may be a revival of the cruise like they used to hold but the (sponsor) club wants the city to take ownership and responsibility to police the event.

Scheduling Conflicts: Every year a street rod association assembles a calendar of Rocky Mountain Area Rod Runs and events like the CCCC Havana Cruise are included. The "All Club Meeting" will be held on October 21, hosted by the Saber Club in Denver and this gives advance warning of dates of major events.

Next Meeting: The October 4th CCCC meeting will be held at the Hagerty Insurance office at 1010 Johnson Blvd. in Golden, close to the Jefferson County offices. . . . start time is 7:30

The Rear End



Whatcha' got? Please submit your articles, letters, and pictures for THE REAR END. Preference will be given to original, club-related material and members' T experiences, followed by general Model T history and lore. I'll do my best to give proper credit, but sometimes I might lose track. (Send to vrexrider@gmail.com.) Ed.

When I went to county fairs when I was little, I was always intrigued by the Model T Fords. Their front axles looked like broomsticks compared to the big, heavy girders forming the front axles of all other antique cars. While everyone knows the Model T Ford is the car that put the world on wheels, nobody really seems to know why. Was it because of the assembly line? No, Eli Whitney invented the assembly line in 1812 to produce .50 caliber muskets for the American army in the war of 1812. Was it because of the moving assembly line? No, Ford (started using) the moving assembly line in 1914 at the opening of the River Rouge Plant, which made Model T production four times faster and therefore much cheaper, but that's not why everyone bought one. Ford himself provided the answer: Any new invention requires new tools and new materials which never before existed. The greatest problem to solve in building a horseless carriage was the power to weight ratio. Before 1908, there was no such thing as a practical horseless carriage. In 1906, Ford attended a horseless carriage race. A French car blew up. Ford walked over to the track where the parts

were scattered. He stooped over to pick up a part that had endured a great deal of stress. He handed it to his metallurgist. "Tell me what's in this!" His metallurgist reported back to him later. "The steel is doped with a trace amount of vanadium!" Ford then assigned his metallurgists to do repeated quantitative analyses on steel doped with varying amounts of vanadium. After two years, they had complete data on the sheer strength, tensile strength, and other properties of steel alloyed with varying amounts of vanadium, and determined which alloy would be best for leaf springs, which would be best for axles, for chassis frame members, piston rods, crankshafts, and so on. Ford ordered a horseless carriage to be built with every part having the best vanadium steel alloy for each individual part. On 1 October 1908, the world's first practical horseless carriage rolled off the assembly line. The Model T weighed scarcely 1200 pounds yet had 20 horsepower, while much bigger cars had much less horsepower. Ford had solved the power to weight ratio problem forever. He put the world on wheels.
- David Grant Stewart, Sr.

Ford Scramble: Got a favorite Model T quote? Send it in (vrexrider@gmail.com) for the Ford Scramble. Last Month's Scramble: *"It will take a hundred years to tell whether he helped us or hurt us, but he certainly didn't leave us where he found us."* Will Rogers on Henry Ford

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