

# The Backfire

21st Century



The Official Newsletter of the Santa Clara  
Valley Model T Ford Club



## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

If you get a copy of the Vintage Ford be sure to check out this month's edition, which has Ed and Karen Archer as well as Barbara Beach in it. I really liked the picture of Barbara's TP-ed (Toilet Papered) T. Although summer is winding down, we still have some events left on the calendar. Hot San Jose Nights is on Saturday the 9th at Reid Hill View Airport. There is normally a charge for this event, but thanks to Allan Greenberg it is free for club members. Contact Allan if you are interested. History Park is on Sunday the 23rd. Due to another event this day, a part of Monterey Rd from Branham Ln to E William St will be closed. Plan your route accordingly to avoid the road closure.

The overnight tour to San Benito County Fair will be on October 6th. At the present time, the Baymont Inn has no more rooms. A room can still be booked down the street at the Hollister Inn (831-637-1641) at \$129.99. Also, Audrey, Nikkie & I will be camping at thousand trails in our RV's if anyone would like to join us.

Nominations for officers are open for 2019. Please start thinking about next year and those officers you would like to choose. This is your chance to make a contribution.

Remember, it's the people, cars and places that make this such a special club. We have many miles to put on our Flivver's and many places of interest to visit. Until then, drive safe and keep it between the lines.

*Dan*



## UPCOMING TOURS

*Join us for the largest annual antique auto show in the West.*

**Important Information:** The date is Sunday, 09/23/18. The show starts at 11:00 AM and ends at 4:00 PM and is located at History San José (635 Phelan Ave, San José, CA 95112). Due to another event this day, part of Monterey Rd will be closed to traffic. Also, crossing Monterey Rd will be allowed only at certain locations (one of which is Capitol Expy). To view the closing and crossings, [click here](#).



**Antique Vehicles:** Antique Vehicles should arrive between 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM. Vehicles permitted in and during the show must be pre-1946 original or restored-to-original condition. No vehicle newer than 1945 will be allowed on the Park grounds during the show.

**Late Arrivals and Early Departures:** The SCVMTFC and HSJ request that all vehicles be on display for the full 5 hours (11:00 AM to 4:00 PM). The San José Police Department will not allow vehicles to enter the Park after 11:00 AM. They will not allow modern vehicles to re-enter the Park until after 4:00 PM. The San José Police Department and History San José require an event staff person to escort a vehicle if it must depart before 4:00 PM for pedestrian safety reasons.

**Trailer Parking:** Trailer parking is located at the SJ Central Service Yard across from History San José on Phelan Ave and is open at 8:00 AM. The entrance is the first gate on the right on Phelan Ave after the traffic light on Senter Rd. Stop at History Park entrance to pick up a parking map and pass to trailer parking.

**Crafts & Collectibles:** Crafts and Collectibles exhibitors should arrive between 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM to unload. Pick up a parking pass at the entrance to History San José. After unloading, drive your auto to the San José city parking lot at the East end of Phelan Ave. You may return to reload your exhibit after 4:00 PM.

Admission: Adults and Children (3 yrs+) \$ 5.  
Free to participants & HSJ members.

To see a map of the area, click on this [link](#).

To view the four-page event Program, click [here](#).

For more information, contact [Peder Jorgensen](#) via e-mail or 408-358-3398.

### More Ford Tidbits from the Model T Era

Feb 1, 1911; The Ford General Offices have been moved from the old location at Piquette and Beaubien Streets to the new Ford Administration Building at Highland Park, Mi.

## UPCOMING TOURS/EVENT

### Overnight Tour to San Benito County Fair

October 6 and 7

The San Benito County Fair is an old time country fair,  
lots of animals, lots of crafts, lots of 4H, lots of food.

Like when we were kids, remember?

#### October 6, 2018

Meet at 8:30AM, depart at 9:00 from Peet's Coffee  
at Blossom Hill and Almaden, backroads to Hollister.

11:00 - 2:00-ish - Display Vehicles & attend county fair.

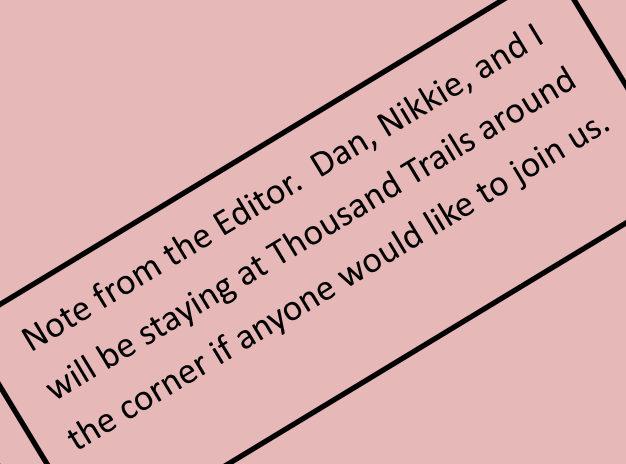
Dinner - at the Running Rooster???

6:00pm Truck Pull at the Fair

Stay overnight at Baymont Inn, 831-637-9248 (\$120 + tax)

Make your reservation **NOW**, it will fill up.

(You can always cancel)



Note from the Editor. Dan, Nikkie, and I  
will be staying at Thousand Trails around  
the corner if anyone would like to join us.

#### October 7, 2018

Depart at 8:30AM, backroads to  
home.

Contact is Bob Meneely

650-948-9301

rmnly@yahoo.com

## **Minutes from the June 20, 2018 Meeting**

Respectfully submitted  
Vicki Wildman

**SEPTEMBER**

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Car Club Meeting at 7:30pr  Board Meeting 7:30pm

**AUGUST 18 \***

The Lakes Manifold Tour (with the South Valley Model T Ford Club)  
Rich Hershey at (831)637-0637 or the\_body\_shop@att.net

**AUGUST 18 \***

24th Annual Garden Railroad Tour  
(Allan Greenberg - 408-997-0879 - allang@pacbell.net)

**SEPTEMBER 8 \***

Hot San Jose Nights  
(Allan Greenberg - 408-997-0879 - allang@pacbell.net)

**SEPTEMBER 23 \***

Antique Autos in the Park - **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS**  
(Peder Jorgensen - 408-358-3398)

**SEPTEMBER 29 \***

Bridgeport Senior Living BBQ  
(Allan Greenberg - 408-997-0879 - allang@pacbell.net)

**OCTOBER 6-7 \***

San Benito County Fair (with the South Valley Model T Ford Club)  
(Bob Meneely or Pat Skow - 650-948-9301 - rmnly@yahoo.com)

**NOVEMBER 10 \***

Fall Colors Tour

**DECEMBER 15**

Holiday Installation Luncheon at Michaels in Shoreline

\* This is either a joint tour or an event we have been invited to join

## STORIES/NOTES

### Are you a member of the Model T Ford Club of America?

If not, join us. The form is on the website. Along with helping the club you get a great monthly magazine that keeps you posted on all things Motel T



### HOW DO YOU GET YOUR NEWSLETTER

If you are currently getting the newsletter by mail and would like to get the newsletter by email (in color!) please contact me at johnson-ranch1@gmail.com

### No. 8 of 10 Henry Ford Facts (That Have Almost Nothing to Do With Cars)

Using wood scraps from his plants, Ford found he could make charcoal briquettes. When Ford's brother-in-law E.G. Kingsford brokered the site selection for Ford's charcoal manufacturing plant, Ford named the company Kingsford Charcoal in his honor.

BY ERIK VAN RHEENEN  
JULY 30, 2017



### A BLAST FROM THE PAST

Do you remember this? Do you recognize this place?

It was opened on October 27, 1935



new Tiffany Motor Company building, which will be formally opened tomorrow. The structure, representing an investment of some \$35,000, is of reinforced concrete. Its total length is 100 feet, the main body of the structure being 83 by 100 feet, with the wing 24 by 67 feet. The lot occupied by the super-service station is 67 by 78 feet. At the left, invisible in the picture, is the 50 by 50 used car lot, a 22 1/2 foot driveway, and annex buildings housing the used car department, the painting department and the car washing department.

Many of you should, it looks like this now and has great chicken.



This, of course, was before they moved here.



## THE GENERAL STORE

Stuff for sale or trade. Submit your ads to Audrey Johnson, 853 Olympia Road, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045, (408) 221-7073, johnsonranch1@gmail.com. Ads will be run for 3 months unless cancelled.



**FOR SALE: '23**

T-Bucket, Chevy v-8, 3 two barrel carbs, 3 spd tranny, power disc brakes, wire wheels, \$18,000 OBO, 559-289-2045 (10/17)

**FOR SALE:** 1931 Model A Ford Speedster. All new steel Brookville roadster pickup body stretched 6". Rebuilt Model B engine with electronic ignition. New Black upholstery . New Tires. Custom maple "trunk". \$13,000. Dave Weiss, dtweiss6315@sbcglobal.net, 408-595-0703. (09/17)

**FOR SALE:** 1905 Olds Curved Dash. Amazing restoration. Drives great. Cans tart it from the seat! Includes rate top and even more rare original mother-in-law rear seat (not installed) \$45,000 OBO Tony Andre (408) 966-9355 (08/18)

**FOR SALE:** For sale is the ultra rare 1911 Maxwell GA Sport Touring. Fully restored! This car was owned by famed antique car collector Don Ritchie. The car is beautifully restored and runs well. Recent service and all new tires, tubes and flaps. Beautiful brass throughout. \$51,000 OBO Tony Andre 408-966-9355 (08/18)

**FOR SALE:** 1915 Model T Ford Roadster Pickup Call Rick 650-722-0104 (08/18)

**FOR SALE:** All Model T stuff. 1917-22 hood excellent condition \$250.00. Small drum 2 speed Ruckstell rear end \$1200.00. Cleaning house sale - \$5.00 each; Stock small drum rear axle housings, transmission covers "Hogsheads" no pedals, 3 dip oil pan one ear broken, rear end (differential innards). \$10.00 each sale; 3 dip oil pan rusty but still good, Small drum rear radius rods, driveshaft housing. Engines short blocks 1918 to 1922 \$500.00 each Ed Archer Phone 510 581 4911, email ka-[karene4@att.net](mailto:karene4@att.net).

**FOR SALE:** Martin Johnson's Antique Tractors. Please call Theodore Johnson at 408-826-1315

**FOR SALE:** 1919 Model T "C" cab Delivery Truck (Pie Wagon). Fresh paint, runs well. Would be great for company advertising or parades. Crowd favorite. Sharp. \$12,000. Mike 650-691-9558 [cuda48@aol.com](mailto:cuda48@aol.com) (09/18)



**WANTED:** A 1928-29 Model A radiator shell donation for the Chimney Sweep Model A at History San Jose. The shell does not have to be in perfect shape, just not broken. Contact Allan Greenberg at (408) 978-0879 or at [allang@pacbell.net](mailto:allang@pacbell.net)





**LET'S SAY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**

- Bob Beaman - 4
- Mary Beaman - 16
- Matt Spencer - 20
- Donna Jones - 23
- Jean Boyden - 25

Jerry and Marsha Foreman - 10



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**CATCHING UP ON ROSTER**

Genelle Azevedo has moved  
Her new address is:

Valley Pines Assisted Living  
545 E. Main St. Rm #20  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037



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**QUOTES FROM HENRY FORD**

**Thinking is the hardest work  
there is, which is probably the  
reason why so few engage in it.**

Henry Ford



SCVMTFC is a chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America. General meetings are held the third Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the **Santa Clara Fire Station #2, 1900 Walsh Ave., Santa Clara, CA.** New members and curious visitors are always welcome—you don't have to own a T to belong or to visit.

SCVMTFC membership is \$20 per year. Send dues to Ivan Jorgensen, 475 W. Sunnyoak Ave, Campbell, CA 95008 Membership in Model T Ford Club of America is encouraged. Dues are \$40 per year. Send dues to: MTFCA, P.O. Box 996, Richmond, IN, 47375-0996



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(\*BoardMembers)