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*Fords crepitant primum, sed ipsi crepitant longissimae*

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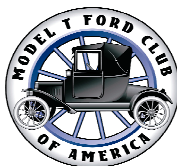
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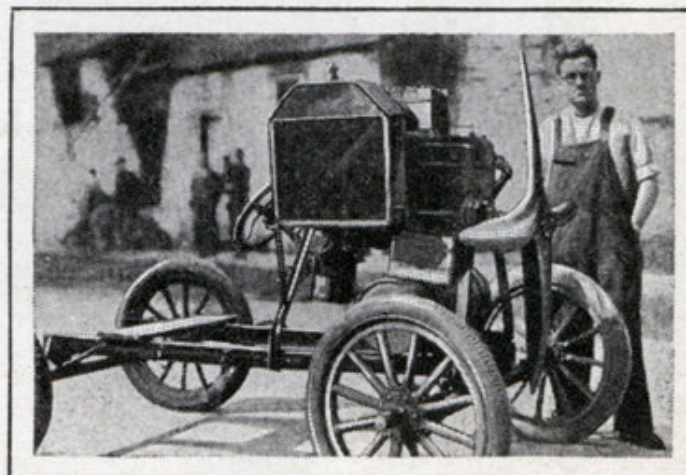
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IT IS EASY TO OWN A CAR BY USING THIS PLAN

**"Wind Wagon" Made From Ford**



The motor of this Ford has been elevated, the radiator turned sideways, and a four-blade propeller mounted.

**J**OE BAIRD of Arcadia, Neb., got tired of driving an ordinary Model T Ford, so he got busy and converted it into the "wind wagon" shown above. The motor is raised above the chassis, the radiator turned sideways, and a four-blade propeller attached to drive the vehicle.

**On The Cover**



That dynamic duo, Tony Marino and Bobby Wright, was in action again. They showed their TT's, "Big Liz" and "Cuzn Liz" at the Haak Winery Car Show held in Santa Fe, Texas.

For more, turn to page 4.

Photo by Tony Marino

—From the February 1932 Issue of Modern Mechanix

## 2014-15 Calendar of Coming Events

September 10 **Space City T's Meeting**  
2014

October 1-4 **2014 Texas T Party**  
2014 San Angelo, Texas

The 37th Texas T Party leaves the hotel Wednesday at 1:30 with a visit to Aeromotor Windmill manufacturing plant, a 30 mile long drive around the lake and a car show with burger cookout at the Ford dealership. Thursday includes pictures at Fort Concho, a drive to the Goodyear Proving Grounds, lunch in Robert Lee, some fun hills and turns on Burma Road and an Ice Cream Social at the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts. Friday, we will tour Native American Indian pictographs, lunch at Olfen, Texas with access to a beautiful "painted church", then the Barrow Museum near Eola, TX. Saturday will include a visit to West Texas Boy's Ranch, lunch at a winery, a drive with turns and fun hills, including a paved road though a private ranch, closing with the banquet in the historic Cactus Hotel ballroom, a 1928 Hilton Hotel. The Clarion Hotel can accommodate our entire group (325-486-3300 - \$99/night). Mention the Texas T-Party when you call. Trailer parking will be at an adjacent all-weather lot. RV's call KOA Kampgrounds 325-949-3242 or military retirees Goodfellow Rec. Camp 325-944-1012.

Costs are \$175 for the car & driver, passengers \$150 and children under 12 will be free.  
Marshall Huling, Chairman

Registration and payment had to be submitted by August 1

October 11 **Rally on the Roof Car Show**  
2014 Sponsored by the  
Houston Automobile and Transportation Museum  
See item this page for details

October 25-26 **27th Annual Speedster Endurance Run**  
2014 Model T Ford Club of San Diego  
See item this page for details

October 24-25  
2014



George Ranch Historical Park  
Hosted by the Fort Bend County Museum Association  
See included flyer

March **50th Annual MTFCA Meeting.**  
2015 Hosted by The Orange County Model T Ford Club

July 12-17 **MTFCA's National Tour**  
2015 Celebrating the MTFCA's 50th year  
Cochrane, Alberta, CANADA.  
Hosted by The Foothills Model T Club of Calgary

## The Musical Model T

(Sung to the tune of "Let Me Call You Sweetheart")



**"Let me call you Lizzie, I'm in debt for you,  
Let me hear you rattle, like all good Fords do,  
Keep your tail lights burning, and your headlights, too,  
Let me call you Lizzie, I'm in debt for you."**

**MODEL T Ford CLUB**  
SAN DIEGO

**27th Annual Speedster Endurance Run**  
October 25-26, 2014

The San Diego Model T Club will hold the 27th consecutive Speedster endurance run in the highest Mountains of San Diego County, this year out of the town of Temecula in Riverside.

For information and reservations check the web site at <http://www.mtfcsd.com> or contact:  
Speedster Run Coordinator  
P.O. Box 23324  
San Diego, CA 92193-3324  
Phone: (760) 789-3954  
e-mail: [tonybowker@aol.com](mailto:tonybowker@aol.com)

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2014**  
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MUSEUM (HATM)\*

**LOCATION:**  
1515 Jackson Street, atop the Toyota Tundra Parking Garage next to Toyota Center

**DATE:**  
Saturday, October 11, 2014  
Rain or Shine

**TIME:**  
Staging at 8 a.m.  
Open to the public 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**AWARDS:**  
Top 10, Best Car, Best Truck,  
Best of Show, People's Choice

**VENDORS WELCOME TO APPLY**  
Music by Rockin' R's DJs  
Food by Hickory Hollow  
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**Spectators:**  
**FREE ADMISSION**  
Exhibitor spaces limited to the first 200 registered vehicles  
Show Pre-registration: \$20, or \$30 at the show  
For more details call: Michael O'Day: (281) 358-6952  
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# Two Grand Old Ladies

By Stan Hoekstra

On Saturday, July 5 we received a text message from club member Tony Marino with a series of photos attached taken at the Haak Winery Car Show held that day in Santa Fe, Texas and attended by Tony and Bobby Wright along with their "twin" C Cab TT trucks.

We texted back, "Lookin' good! How about a small article to go with the photos?"

Tony: "Not me. I can't right".

Us: "Obviously. How about recruiting Mr. Bobby 'Right'?"

Tony: "He can't wright either."

Us: "Oh well, as the Chinese proverb states, 'One picture worth one thousand words.' "

And on that high note, the conversation ended. What you are reading here is the article, such as it is.

However, the photos tell the story.

Take note of the Manley Wrecking Crane mounted on Cuzn Liz.

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10. Pawls on gears provided with positive lock.
11. Hoisting drum may be disengaged to run free when pulling out chain to make hitch.
12. Hoisting drum may be used as winch.
13. Gear ratio greatly increased. Will lift more with less effort.
14. Ground operated from either side.
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16. Ground operating position low and ahead of fender.
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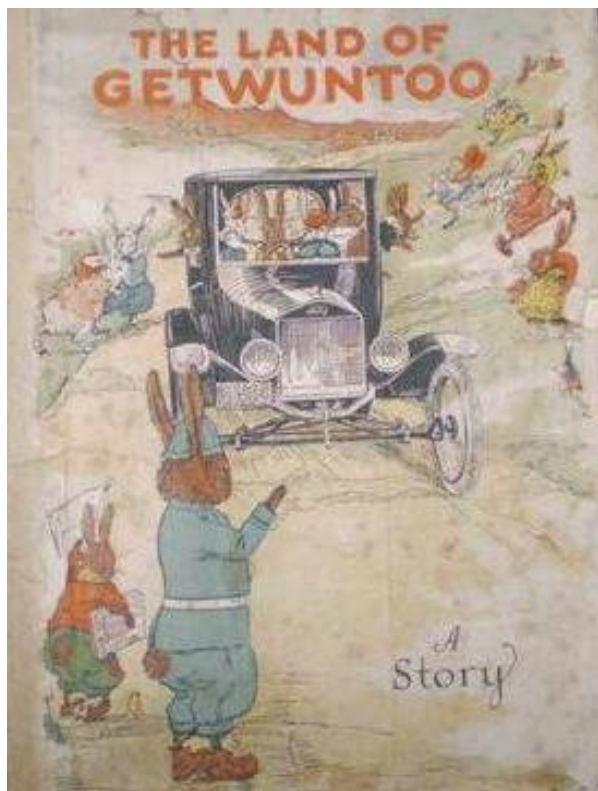
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**MANLEY 3 1/2 TON CRANE \$135**



# For Kids From 3 to 93

By Stan Hoekstra



Today's kids are inundated with commercials from all sides in an effort to enlist them as tomorrow's consumers. The Ford Motor Company of Canada also pitched to youngsters in the Model T era.

This booklet shown came along with 1923 Fords, a 13 page book of a fairy tale, full of rabbits who helped a young boy, Bobby, lost in his dreamland of Getwuntoo. He wants a Ford vehicle to help him along, and carry his rabbit friends in the land of Getwuntoo.

Ford of Canada published at least three pamphlets; "The Land Of Getwuntoo", "The Way to Getwuntto" and "How to Getwuntoo"; the latter describing the Ford Purchase Plan for Model T's.



**THE LAND OF GETWUNTOO**

Then came the Light Delivery Car,  
The Bunnies cried, "Tis better far!"  
They climbed aboard, but just the same  
Another crowd of Bunnies came.  
Said Bob, "We'll need a truck for you."  
The Bunnies cried, "Then GETWUNTOO!"

For miles and miles, till lost to view,  
The forest road ran curving through,  
And as they travelled on with glee  
More Bunnies came the fun to see.  
Said Bobby then, for such a string  
A Light Delivery is the thing!

**THE LAND OF GETWUNTOO**

**THE LAND OF GETWUNTOO**

"Now then," cried Dobby, "I should say  
We ought to have a Ford Coupe—  
And then a Ford Sedan, for they  
Are proof against a stormy day,  
Then let it rain, or let it blow,  
The greatest comfort you will know!"

Such goes on, I'm very sure—  
No one has ever seen before—  
The Bunnies all with joy agreed  
Each Ford was "it" for strength and speed,  
And said, before the day was o'er,  
They'd never really lived before!

**THE LAND OF GETWUNTOO**

In time, like all days that are past,  
This day came to an end at last—  
The eager Bunnies gathered round  
And sat in groups upon the ground  
To hear what Dobby had to say  
About his own land far away!

"My land," said Dobby, "stretches wide  
From ocean-side to ocean-side—  
And North and South and East and West  
The Ford's the car that's known the best—  
Ford cars you'll find on every side—  
Each one a source of joy and pride!"

**THE LAND OF GETWUNTOO**

"The Farmer who is really wise  
The sturdy Fordson Tractor buys.  
It plows his land from morn till night—  
Work quickly done, and work done right!"

He knows he has his Ford to thank  
For a bigger balance at the Bank!

**THE LAND OF GETWUNTOO**

"FORD SERVICE stands behind each car—  
READY - no matter where you are—  
SERVICE COMPLETE from coast to coast,  
READY - when it is needed most—  
A SERVICE widespread as the Nation!  
For BUSINESS, HEALTH and RECREATION."

**For Sale: 1924 Coupe:** Standard axle, good upholstery and paint, fatboy steering wheel, generator, side fence, honey-comb radiator, #4 exhaust leak. Asking \$8500.. Contact: Richard Smith



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**For Sale: 1917 Model T Touring Car** I have \$15,500 invested and would like to get \$12,500. New tires, perfect body, It is a total restoration with electric starter. The body is rust free and in great condition. Ross of Lilleker Antique Auto Restorations reworked the transmission, clutch, and the engine runs great.



More photos at <http://transformationalchurchconsulting.com/about.htm>

**For Sale: Rebuilt Model T Ford Components**

Rebuilt Model T Transmission  
 Rebuilt Model T Starter  
 Rebuilt Model T Generator  
 Call Bill McRee for details

**For Sale: Two Model T's**



1915 Roadster ('Lil Red)



1924 Touring

**For Sale or Trade 2003 190 Bay Boat Triumph**

In excellent condition. Has 115 Yamaha, Center Cold console, GPS, Fish Finder, MinnKotta Trolling motor, Triumph trailer. \$14,000.00 or best offer. Would trade for Model T. Contact Leon at

The '24 has lots of extras such as a floating rear wheel bearing, high speed Ruckstell, Rocky Mountain brakes with Kevlar linings, ball-bearing 4th main, Kevlar transmission bands and clutch disk. The '15 has small version Rocky Mountain style brakes, starter and one piece exhaust/intake manifold.

**For Sale: 1922 Coupe**

Suicide doors, mechanically sound, runs good, good top and upholstery. Asking \$9,500. Contact Jerry Hathcoat

The engines in both cars were built with special updates. High compression heads, aluminum pistons, stainless steel valves, hardened exhaust valve seats inserts, adjustable valve lifters, tour cam, modern spark plugs, alternator, modern carb and air filter. Both cars are 12 volt and have signal lights.

**Wanted: '27 Model T Front Bumper & Brackets**

Contact: Gaylord Willet

Contact: Robert Kirk

**For Sale: Walker Estate Model T's**

- 1915 Brass Roadster,
- 1925 Fordor Sedan,
- 1927 Tudor Sedan,
- 1926 Roadster,
- 1925 Touring,
- 1924 Roadster with Chevrolet Transmission

For complete photo depiction of the collection, see page 6 of the October 2013 issue of the Flivver Flash.

Contact: Craig Corley



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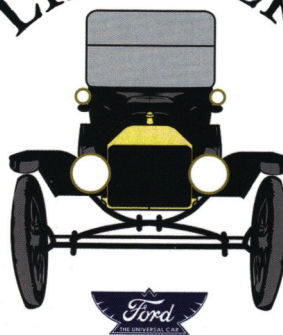
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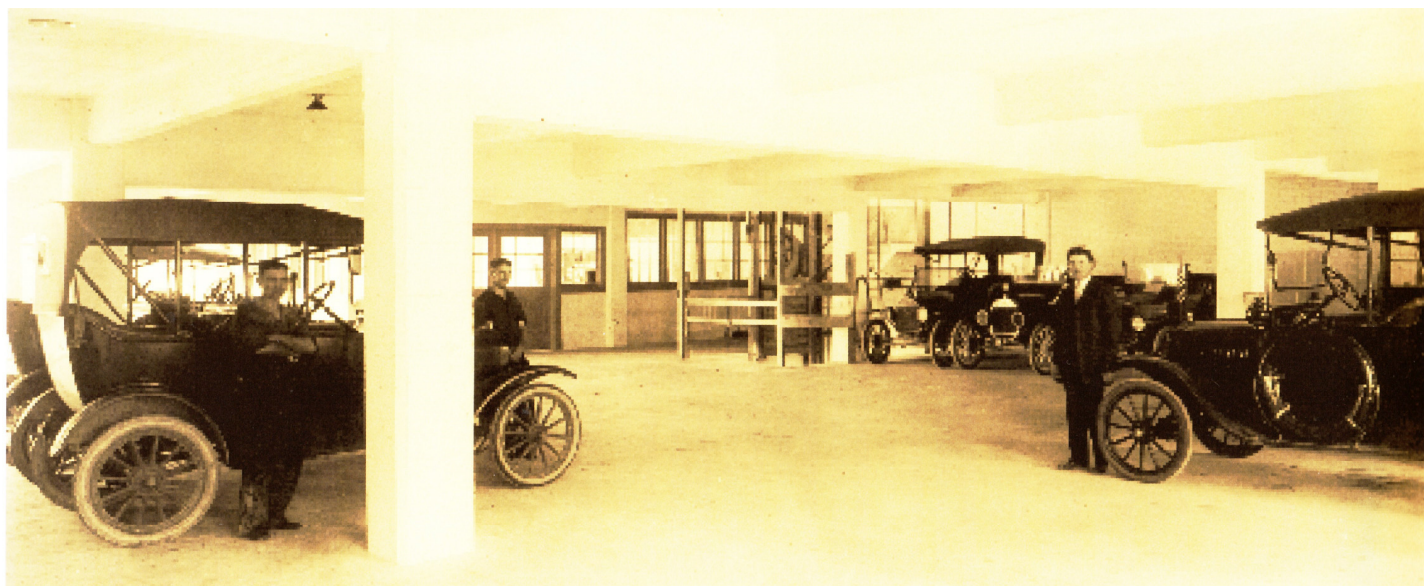
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## Early Ford Dealership—Circa 1917



This photo appeared in a 2003 calendar published by the Ford Motor Company and distributed to Ford dealership parts departments.

Thanks to Don Bailey for providing the photo

**Next Meeting  
September 10, 2014**



**Dine with Friends at  
Demeris BBQ at 6:00 P.M.  
located at 1702 West Loop North,  
Suite A, Houston, TX 77008**

**Then attend the  
Space City T's Meeting at 7:30 P.M.**

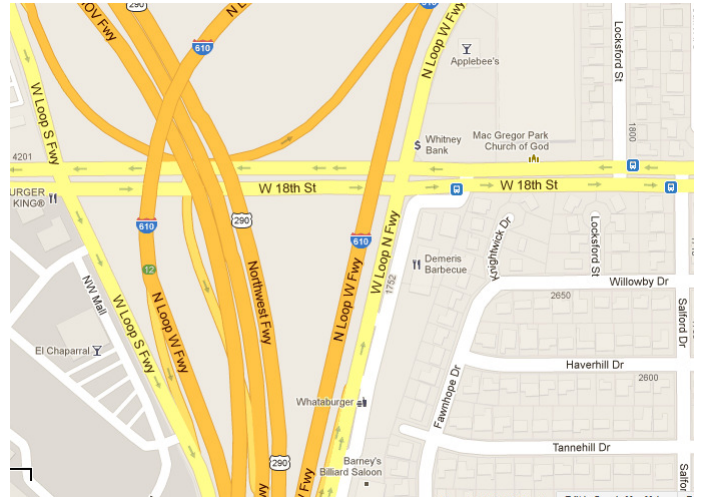
**Place:**

**Lazy Brook Baptist Church  
1822 West 18th Street in the Heights**

**Program:**

**Model T Coils**

**A Video Presented by Broderick Thompson**



**Directions to Demeris BBQ**

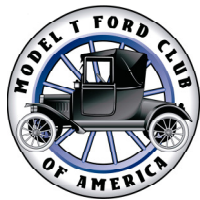
From the east or west on I-10 or the south side of downtown, take the I-610 West Loop North and get off at the 18th Street Exit. Demeris BBQ will be right after Houston Garden Nursery.

From the west on Highway 290, exit at Mangum and turn right to 18th Street. At 18th, turn left, cross under West Loop and turn into the Whataburger parking lot on the right. Proceed to Demeris after Whataburger.

From the north on I-45, take the 610 North Loop West around to the I-610 West Loop South to the Hempstead Highway exit. Make a U-turn under I-610 and proceed north on the frontage road to just before 18th Street, Demeris will be on your right after Houston Garden Center.

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