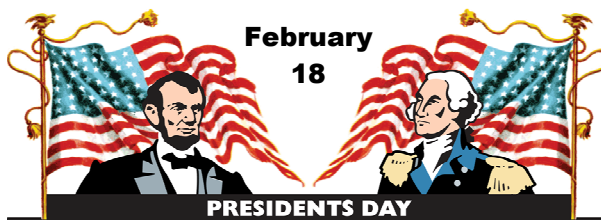




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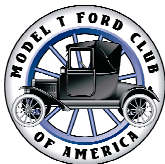
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On The Cover



The Model T depicted in the center of the Space City T's logo was probably designed in the mid to late seventies, perhaps on an Atari or Commodore 64 computer. It was enhanced recently with addition of our stated name and location.

Turn to page 4 for more about how the club and the Texas T Party came into existence.

Kandy Reeder

1927 - 2013



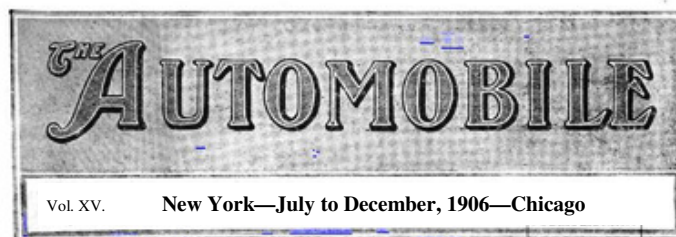
Myrtle "Kandy" Leona Reeder
July 25, 1927 - January 1, 2013 Myrtle
"Kandy" Reeder, 85, of Dickinson,
passed away Tuesday, January 1, 2013 at
Bayou Pines Care Center in La Marque.

Kandy was born July 25, 1927 in Sandoval, TX to parents James H. and Minnie (Jahn) Knight. Kandy was active in many business ventures as a Homebuilder and Realtor in Galveston County throughout her adult life. She was a member of the Galveston County Housing Finance Board and served as the state and local President of the Business and Professional Women's Club of America. She was also listed in "Personalities of The South" in the 1970's. She and husband Ralph were avid antique automobile enthusiasts and were Lifetime Members of the Space City T's.

She is preceded in death by her husband Ralph G. Reeder, Sr.

Survivors include her son R.G. "Bubba" Reeder Jr. and wife Debra; daughter Debye Jo Welch; brother Carl Knight; grandchildren Jody Rae Reeder, Jarrod Reeder, and Sarah Wickel; 6 Great-grandchildren and numerous nieces, nephews and other friends and relatives.

Way Back When



Texans Hold Their Annual Water Melon Run

Houston, Tex, Aug 11-The watermelon run of the Houston Automobile Club was successfully carried out last week. An ice-cold melon was supplied to every car participating, and a royal melon eating contest was indulged in at the camp grounds outside the city. A silver loving cup was offered to the finder of the club melon which was hidden along the road between Green Bayou and Pasadena station. As none of the participants in the run was able to find the melon. The cup remains the property of the club.

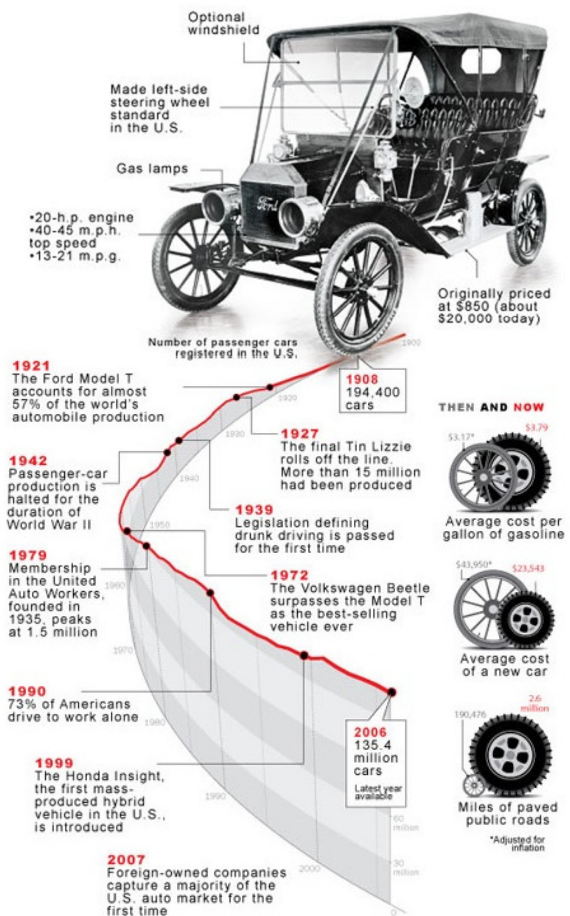
Congratulations...

To Bill Sherrill who has been elected to the Model T Ford Club of America Board of Directors.

Bill's comment; "I am here to represent the South".



A Brief History of the Model T



TIME Magazine Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2008

Get Out and Get Under

This is what happens when old car-guys get sent to rest homes.



2013 Calendar of Coming Events

February 13 **Space City T's Meeting**
2013

Feb. 15-17 **Conroe Winter Swap Meet**
2013 Montgomery County Fairgrounds
INFO: (337)249-7667 or www.hotrodsoftexas.com

Feb.25—Mar.17
2013



Reliant Center- 8334 Fannin Street - Houston, Texas 77054

March 16-17 **Trader's Village Swap Meet**
2013 Houston
Info. (281)373-4046

March 21-21 **Chickasha Pre-war Swap Meet**
2013 Sponsored by The Old Pueblo Touring Association
"1895-1945"
Come Celebrate the 1st 50 Years of the Automobile

March 22-24 **MTFCA 48th Annual Business Meeting**
2013 Dallas, Texas
Hosted by the DFW Chapter MTFCA
(aka Lone Star T's)
<http://lone-star-ts.com/2013-Annual-Meeting/>

April 25-28 **Pate Swap Meet**
2012.2012 Texas Motor Speedway Fort Worth Texas USA
Intersection of Interstate 35 West and State Highway 114
Vendor Registration : 713-649-0922

September 7 **The Ultimate Pitstop South Houston Swap Meet**
2013 555 Almeda Genoa Road & I-45 Gulf Frwy, Houston
www.TheUltimatePitStop.net
or call Jay @ 281-332-7886 or 281-797-7824

October **Texas T Party**
2013 Lufkin, Texas

In The Beginning... By Stan Hoekstra

Few current club members will remember the beginnings of the Space City T's, simply because most members were not present. The genesis of the formation of the club came about because several Model T enthusiasts in the Houston area got together in the summer of 1976 and took the steps required to become a chapter of the Model T Ford club of America. Twenty-one folks met at the first meeting. From there, the organization petitioned the MTFCA for a club charter. The letter sent by Herschel Payne is shown below.

PAYNE
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POST OFFICE BOX 40365 HOUSTON, TEXAS 77040

August 18, 1976

Model T Ford Club of America
P.O. Box 711
Oceanside, California 92054
Attn: Mr. Ray Miller

Gentlemen,

We have finally got our local club off the ground and have decided to affiliate with your club.

I am listing below the names of five National members along with their numbers, who are members of our local club:

J.J. Junman, Jr.	3776
Herschel Payne	6832
W.L. Wotipka	7157
Jacob Schulzinger	8568
DeWayne Walling	8569

You will find a list of people enclosed who attended our meeting and intend to join the club. Some of them are members of the Model T Ford Club America but their numbers were not available to me.

We will call our chapter the SPACE CITY T's and think we can come up with forty plus members.

Please send us some decals, etc. that are popular other local groups, along with an invoice, and I will mail you a check to cover the cost.

Thanks for the help in getting us started.

Sincerely,
Herschel Payne
Herschel Payne

TELEPHONE AREA CODE 713 496-1111

Soon the following reply arrived:

Herschel Payne
P.O. Box 40365
Houston, Texas

MODEL T FORD CLUB OF AMERICA
POST OFFICE BOX 711
OCEANSIDE, CALIFORNIA
92054

Your letter of August 18, 1976

MESSAGE

Sept 16, 1976

Dear Mr. Payne:

My sincere apologies to you for failing to respond to your letter earlier. I had been taken with an unexpected bout of eye surgery and am only now trying to get back on my feet. I have been away from the Office for 4 weeks and your letter just laid here with a lot of others that should have been answered.

We will try to make it up to you now!

Congratulations on forming the SPACE CITY T's Chapter. We think the name is fine! You will be listed in the next issue of the Vintage Ford, and we trust that you will start to send in news of your events and meetings. Remember, we can edit, but we cannot initiate news. The columns of the Vintage Ford are open to your use, but you must fill those columns with news of your events; we cannot do it for you.

I am looking forward to meeting you on a forthcoming event, and in the meantime wish you and the others every good wish for prosperity and success WITH the Chapter. Your Charter, by the way, is on its way to you now.

Cordially,
Ray Miller
Ray Miller
Executive Secretary

Followed by this:

Herschel Payne
PO Box 40365
Houston, Texas 77040

MODEL T FORD CLUB OF AMERICA
POST OFFICE BOX 711
OCEANSIDE, CALIFORNIA
92054

Space City T's Chapter Charter

MESSAGE

September 20, 1976

Dear Herschel:

It really gives me a great deal of pleasure to be able to sign and send on to you the Space City T's Chapter's Charter. It is only through the formation of local groups, such as yours, that our club has continued to grow. Because of the enthusiastic approach, shown by you and others, toward our particular segment of the old car hobby, MTFCA is now one of the largest "one car" clubs in the nation. You all keep up the good work and if any of us can be of any help, do besure to let us know.

Sincerely,
Ted Aschman
Ted Aschman

The Space City T's Model T Club was on it's way!

The Vintage Ford, Volume II, Number 6, Nov.-Dec 1976 carried this item:

Space City T's Chapter

Space City? Why that's good old Houston, Texas! Twenty-one T'ers got together to put this one together last August. There are plenty of MTFCA members in the Houston area and they are all invited to join with the new club. Contact Herschel Payne, Box 40365,

The 1976 Club Roster

Ned and Annalou Brandt
Chuck and Brenda Brant
Leo Bryant
Milton and Gertrude Bryant
Gene Byrd
Les and Sherry Cavitt
Pat and Pam Contestable
K.S. and Rosa Lee Harding
J.W. Jordan
Don and Sophie Adcock
R.D. Andrews
Bill and Sid Bradley
Jerry and Marge Davis
John George
Jim Isenbora
John Johnson
Donna Johnson
J.J. Juneman
Herschel and Mary Payne

Dennis and Deanna Sanford
Bill and Judy Severn
Jake and Marilyn Schulzinger
Charles Steffen
E.L. Stephenson
Thomas Taylor
Carlton and Dorothy Walling
Larry and Janet Phillips
Tom Maloney
Richard and Michele Langston
Carles and Rozelia Rex
George Ramin
Jim and Mary Jane McKay
E.M. and Ruth Pate
Ronald and Pam Pate
Tom and Dorothy Snyder
DeWayne and Kandy Walling
W.L. and Mag Wotipka
Clark Young

Houston, Texas 77040, for information.

From that list of charter members, Sophie Adcock, Jerry and Marge Davis, Bill Severn and Ruth Pate are still members of the club.

It wasn't long, 1978 to be exact, and plans were hatched to host an event known as the Texas T Party. The first, a one day affair, was held in Fredericksburg, Texas and was chaired by Doc and Mona Hunter. With passage of time, length of the party expanded to multiple days with over a hundred registered Model T's and over 200 participants. The logistics have begun to take on the characteristics of a military operation.

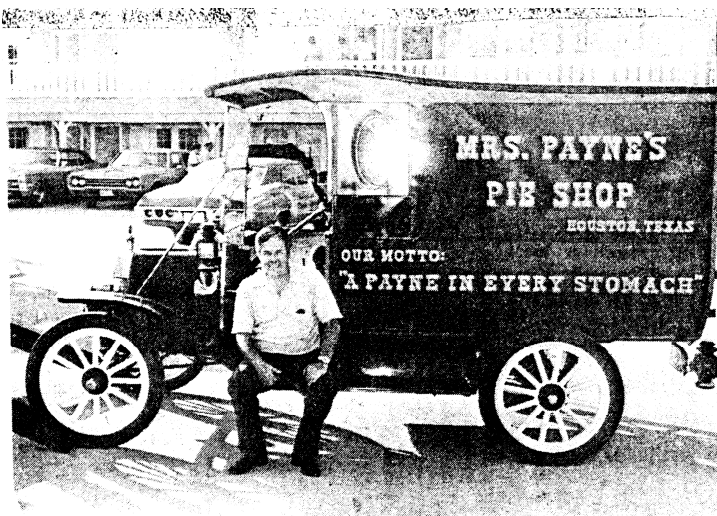


The First Texas T Party Flyer

Those who have chaired the T Party two times are; Delton & Mamie Stokes, Louis & Joan Mickler, Mike & Sally Mikulastik, Dave & Sandra Lucas and Ross & Jennifer Lilleker

Jerry & Marge Davis have risen to the task *three* times.

We applaud all those who made the Texas T Party what it is today, an event looked forward to by many Model T-ers.



A PAYNE IN THE STOMACH, instead of a pain in the neck, is this infamous model T, owned by Herschal Payne of Houston. Payne's Model T is one of the more flavor-

able models here in Fredericksburg for the Texas 'T' Party.

—Radio Post photo

A Club Pioneer

Our Texas T Party History

1. 1978 - Fredericksburg Dr. Malcom & Mona Hunter
2. 1979 - Nacogdoches Herschel & Mary Payne
3. 1980 - Burnet Jerry & Marge Davis
4. 1981 - Kerrville Don & Marlene Oaks
5. 1982 - New Braunfels Ralph & Wernell Grant
6. 1983 - Henderson Don & Marlene Oaks
7. 1984 - Austin Jerry & Marge Davis
8. 1985 - Marshall John Albright
9. 1986 - Kerrville Mickey & Sharon Pate
10. 1987 - Brenham Pete & Audi Reinthaler
11. 1988 - Palestine John & Grace Anderson
12. 1989 - New Braunfels Dan & Freida McDonald
13. 1990 - Temple William & Ruby Graff
14. 1991 - Huntsville Mike & Sally Mikulastik
15. 1992 - Victoria Scott & Leslie Grant
16. 1993 - Longview Willie & Gay Nell Cordes
17. 1994 - San Marcos Mayes & Carolyn Fuller
18. 1995 - Nacogdoches Delton & Mamie Stokes
19. 1996 - Brenham Louis & Joan Mickler
20. 1997 - Lake Jackson Mike & Sally Mikulastik
21. 1998 - Bay City Doug & Shelly Brough
22. 1999 - Kerrville Jerry & Marge Davis
23. 2000 - Palestine Bill & Linda McRee
24. 2001 - Lufkin Louis & Joan Mickler AND Delton & Mamie Stokes
25. 2002 - Bryan/Clg Stat Ben & Nancy Hardeman
26. 2003 - Seguin Charlie & Kay Tyner
27. 2004 - Brenham Bill & Pat Sherrill
28. 2005 - Stephenville Dave & Sandra Lucas
29. 2006 - Georgetown Dave & Sandra Lucas
30. 2007 - Uvalde Jim & Sandra Ruhmann
31. 2008 - Killeen Dennis & Gwen Irvine
32. 2009 - Tyler Ross & Jennifer Lilleker
33. 2010 - Amarillo Gary & Suzy Page
34. 2011 - Bastrop Jeff Cordes & Luke Cordes
35. 2012 - Bryan/Clg Stat. Ross & Jennifer Lilleker

Thanks to GayNell Cordes for assisting in supplying information and fact checking this article.

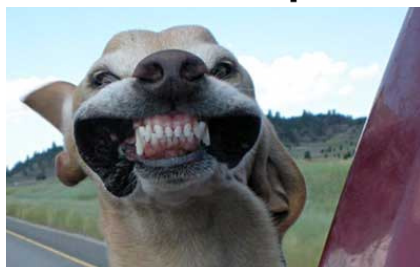
She asked me to include the fact that an error in the T Party books continues to be perpetrated and that is the name of the first T Party chairman. Dr. Malcom Hunter's name has been wrong in a fair number of T Party books. It would be nice to get it corrected permanently if possible. His first name was Malcom, not Don. He was often referred to as 'Doc', as he was a medical doctor.

GayNell said that Sandy Morris of the Dallas club is an expert because she has more documentation on the Texas T Party than anyone. Down through the years she has kept every piece of paper associated with the T Party.

Post Script

I'm a happy dog in a car
 Hope we're not going far
 I walk up and down the back seat
 At each corner I'm rocked off my feet
 I'm a happy dog in a car

I'm a happy dog in a car
 Zooming down miles of tar
 Sniffing around everywhere
 I know where we are by scents in the air
 I'm a happy dog in a car



I'm a happy dog in a car
 I'm feeling well above par
 On the window I'm sniffing near
 My nose leaves a slimy wet smear
 I'm a happy dog in a car

I'm a happy dog in a car
 We're on our way, hurrah
 Happy thoughts run through my mind
 As I stare and wag at the car behind
 I'm a happy dog in a car

I'm a happy dog in a car
 And going slightly gaga
 Too excited to lay down and nap
 I'll look out the window and let my ears flap
 I'm a happy dog in a car

— Author Unknown

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

☼ Rebuilt Model T transmission
 ☼ Rebuilt Model T Starter
 ☼ Rebuilt Model T Generator
 Call Bill McRee at 281-427-0792 for details.

For Sale: Texaco Gravity Flow Gas Pump It is in beautiful condition. We are asking for \$3200. It is stored inside.

Contact: Judy Latham 512-629-6500



For Sale: Set of USED Front and Rear Bumpers for 1926-7 Model T. Rear bumpers are split style. Complete with brackets. Face bars are pitted and need to be plated. Brackets are in very good condition. They have no breaks or welds. Email photos can be sent so they can be enlarged for better view. Contact: Eric "Gator" Gould, Monroeville, AL 251-765-2677 or ga-torsts@frontiernet.net

For Sale: 1926 Model T Tudor Sedan.

Needs restoration. Has wood wheels. \$3,000.

Gator Gould 251-765-2677 gatorsts@frontier.net

For Sale: 1927 TT Truck New carb, mag, coils, points and gas tank. New wood in bed and frames, new cedar cut and planed from my farm. Asking 12,500, negotiable. George Hart, 12782 Hwy 259N, Omaha, TX 75571 903-452-2900

For Sale: 1926 coupe "Basket Case".

99.9% complete, but needing full restoration. Running gear from former club member Charles Brandt's coupe. Body from local Austin county car. Other sheet metal from other cars but in nice condition. Car will be parted out, if not sold together, soon. Not numbers matching, but clear Texas title in my name. \$2000.00 Contact Terry Woods 281-693-2236



FOR SALE: Lightweight, all-steel, low profile, tilt-type car hauler trailer, custom built to transport a Model T. You drive up the gently sloping trailer itself to load the car, no steep ramps to mess with. Car rides only 12 inches higher on trailer than it does on the ground. New Load Range D tires. Tows great, easy to back up. Asking \$2,200. Call for more information: 832-692-2288 Jim Cannon



For Sale: 1923 Model T Speedster Totally restored from ground up. Features: 12 volt electric start + hand crank, new radiator, Rocky Mountain brakes, new fuel system, 5 new Firestone tires and much more. Excellent show car and run about. Drives and runs great. \$17,500.00 OBO. Will deliver at no additional cost up to 500 miles when funds are verified. Pat Hardy 409-385-8888,



Email: Slh1314@aol.com Silsbee, Texas

For Sale: 1927 Model T Ford Coupe

West Texas car body in train intact. Engine turns. Solid Body. Make reasonable offer. Contact Carl Sexton 337-356-7723 candpsexton@aol.com

**Wanted—1927 Model T Front Bumper and Brackets**

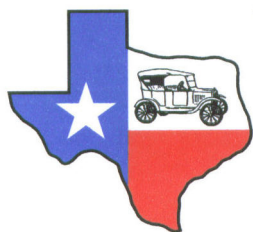
Contact: Gaylord Willet—Montgomery, Texas 936-448-1550

Wanted: Model T Ford—1909 - 1925 Car or parts needing restoration, running or not. Roadster preferred, must be reasonably priced. Contact: David Craft 281-328-6375

For Sale: 1926 Fordor California "Barn Find".

Needs full restoration, but original wood in relatively good shape. Only two or three pieces need to be replaced. Was running and driving when bought in 2009. 99.9% complete. Matching numbers car. Clear Texas title in my name. \$3,000.00 Contact Terry Woods 281-693-2236





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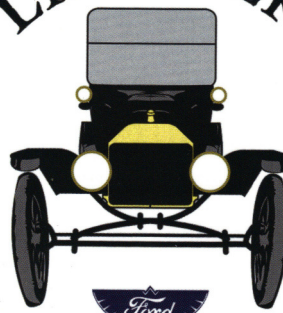
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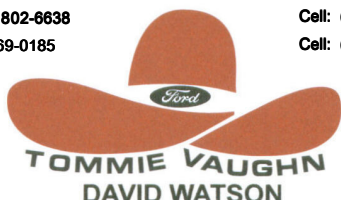
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World's Shortest Model T?



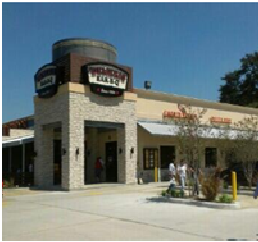
Henry Says

"Any man who thinks he can be happy and prosperous by letting the government take care of him better take a closer look at the American Indian."

— Henry Ford

Next Meeting

January 9, 2013



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

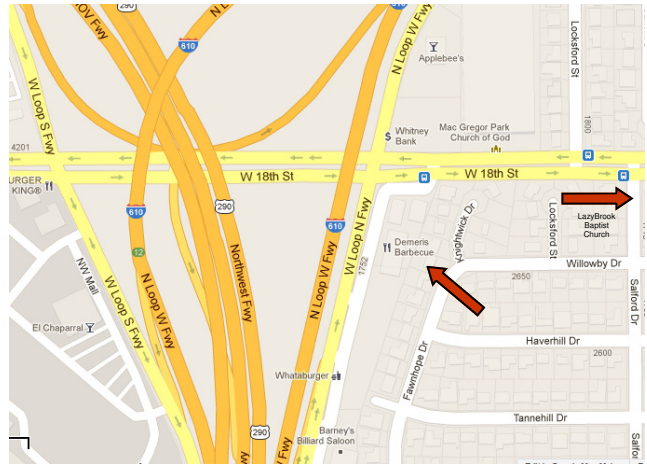


**Then attend the
Space City T's Meeting at 7:30 P.M.**

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

Program:

This Highway, Dedicated to Abraham Lincoln
A documentary presented by Three Wheel Productions



Directions to Demeris BBQ

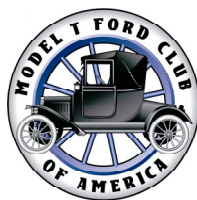
From the east or west on I-10 or the south side of downtown, take the I-610 West Loop North and get off at the 18th Street Exit. Demeris BBQ will be on the right after Houston Garden Nursery.

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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