

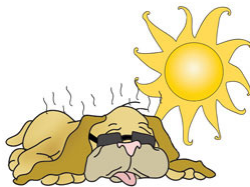


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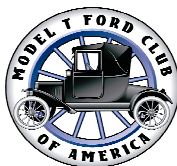
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You'll Get a Kick Out of This



The cover of the July issue carried Don Simmang's foot reaching out of the cover elicited a number of comments.

"Well, that was a kick in the head!"

"I thought I was looking at the cover of KickBox/Taekwondo Weekly."

"I really got a kick out of that."

And on and on...

On The Cover



This idyllic scene is the location of the annual

Space City T's Ice Cream Social at the Sherrill family compound at Bacliff on

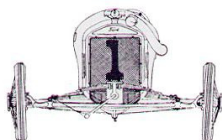
Galveston Bay.

For more, turn to page 4.

Our Apology

We neglected to assign photo credits to those who supplied graphics for the July issue featuring the Frio Canyon Tour.

The cover photo and those that accompanied the article were taken by Diann Hoops. Page 7 photos came from Tony Marino.



Club Members in the News



Bill and Pat Sherrill are shown above at the 2014 MTFCA Western National Tour held in San Diego July 13-18. Bill is on the MTFCA Board of Directors and represents our area of the country.

2014 Calendar of Coming Events

August 13 **Space City T's Meeting**

2014

October 1-4 **2014 Texas T Party**

2014

San Angelo, Texas

Marshall Huling, Chairman

5811 Pecan Valley Lane

San Angelo, Texas 76904

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Registration form and payment must be submitted by August 1

If you need a Registration Form, contact Marshall

Make hotel reservations ASAP

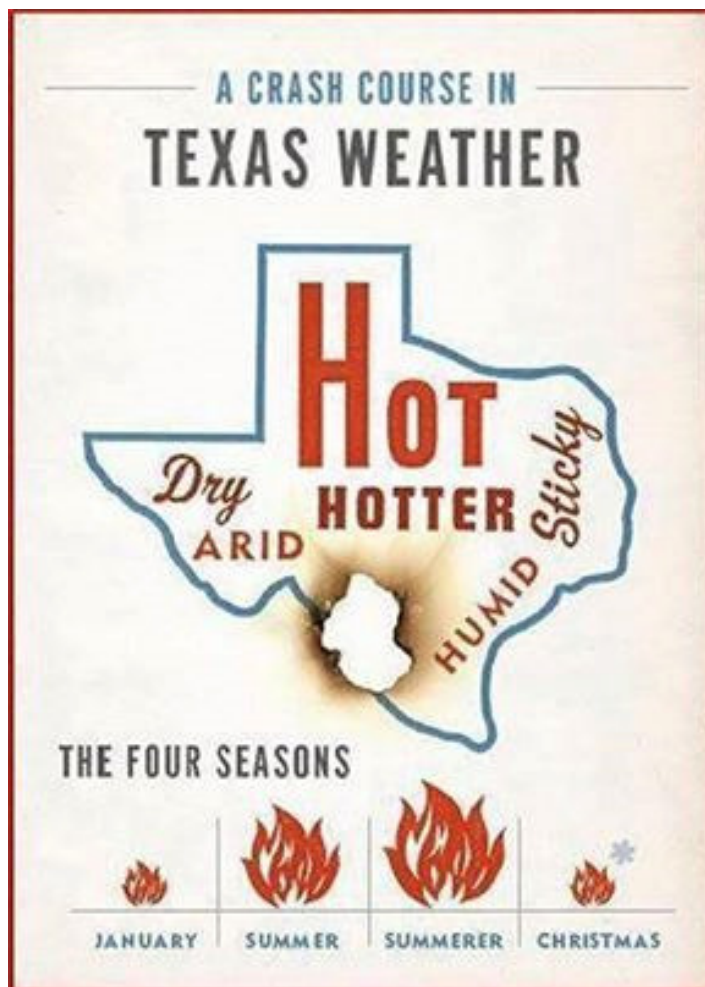
Dirk and Trudy

Our intrepid travelers are making their way through Peru in route to Bolivia.



Here they are among the sand dunes.

Health is becoming my hobby
I gave up my nightly hot toddy
A type "A" reality
Is my personality
But it's stuck in this Model T body!



2014 Ice Cream Social

By Stan Hoekstra

On the last day of May, the Space City T's gathered at Bill and Pat Sherrill's family compound on Galveston Bay for what has become an annual club affair.

The tradition of the club's annual ice cream social began back in 2007 when it was first hosted by Charlie and Kay Tyner at their home.



Charlie passed away September 19, 2008. Bill and Pat assumed hosting the event in 2009 in memory of Charlie and his close friend and fellow club member, the late Jack Schwecke.

While much of the Houston metropolitan area was bathed in rain storms, the Sherrill bay house was an oasis of lovely weather; 85 degree temperature and matching humidity, it was all moderated by the classic sea breeze off the bay.

We didn't take a head count, but there appeared to be at least 40 folks in attendance. Don Wingerson gave the blessing on the food and the Space City T's did what they are so good at, enjoying a feast.

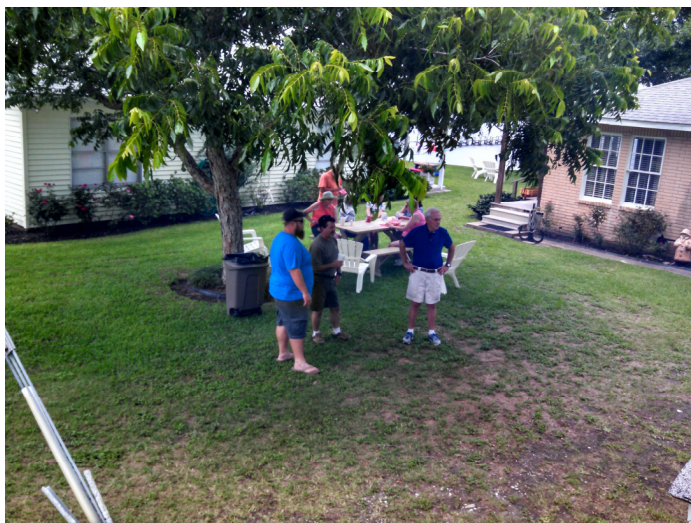
Only two mishaps for the day: GayNell Cordes tangled (tangoed?) with a lawn chair and Stan Hoekstra clotheslined himself on a utility pole guy wire (texting while walking).



A Southern Veranda Overlooks the Bay



Surf and Turf



The Space City T's Begin to Gather



A Preview of Things to Come



Go Anywhere Conveyance



No Space City T's Event is Complete Without an Old Ford



The Gazebo Provides a Pleasant Place to Relax



Bill Sherrill and Diligent Crew

The Back Story

After Tony Marino left the Ice Cream Social for the trek back home, he encountered a problem with Big Liz bogging down. He had to stop on County Road 146 because smoke was coming off the rear hub. It was significant enough to cause considerable horn honking by other drivers.

Bobby Wright, his partner in crime, accused Tony of consuming too much ice cream and thus overloading the truck. Tony swears he had only one bowl of strawberry.

Once home, the post mortem began. It turns out that the culprit was dragging Bennett auxiliary brakes. Once loosened up, it made a world of difference. Rear brakes are now running cool and no more bogging down. She (Big Liz) will even now accelerate to 40 mph in Muncie overdrive.

To appreciate the complexity of Tony's TT, approaching that of the Space Shuttle, you must know that other than the standard two speed Model T transmission and the grandma gear worm drive rear end, Tony's rig is also outfitted with Ruckstell two speed and Muncie three speed over and under.

No wonder that truck runs circles around most Model T passenger cars.

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
Smith Tire & Auto 936-756-5363



Wanted: Newsletter Editor We looking for a new editor to take over the Flivver Flash. This will not be a jump in and sink or swim situation. We will be as involved as much or as little the new editor wishes. However we will not intrude. We will remain available to assist and do research for articles. If interested contact Stan Hoekstra
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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

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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 817-473-1333.

For Sale: 1922 Coupe

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

Contact Jerry Hathcoat—Brashear, Tx. 903-582-2241

Wanted: '27 Model T Front Bumper & Brackets

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

For Sale: Two Model T's



1915 Roadster ('Lil Red)



1924 Touring

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.

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.

Contact: Robert Kirk 281-332-1701

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 at 936-875-6034



For Sale: 1926 Fire Chief's Car

Well known to participants of the Texas T Party. Offered for sale by Bob and Karen Heisterman.

Call: Cell 361-742-0421

Home: 361-742-0421



For Sale: 1926 Touring Green with black fenders. Excellent condition. Equipped with alternator and water pump. Nearly new top.

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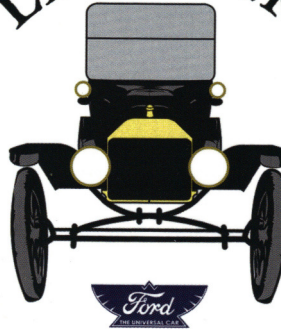
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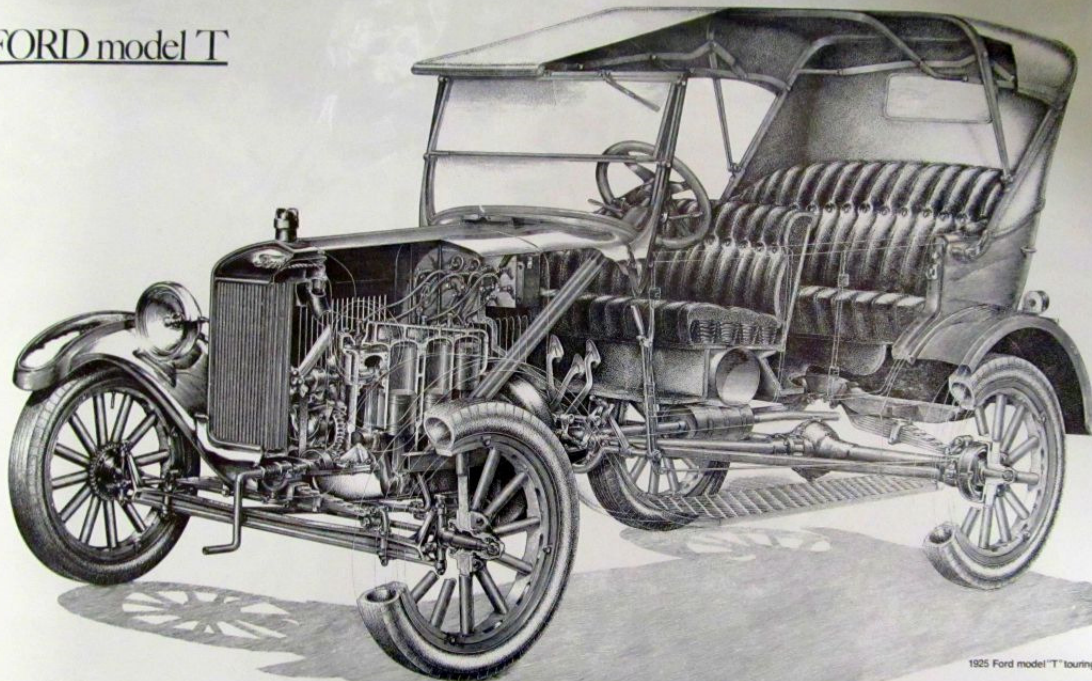
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1925 Ford model "T" touring

**Next Meeting
August 13, 2014**



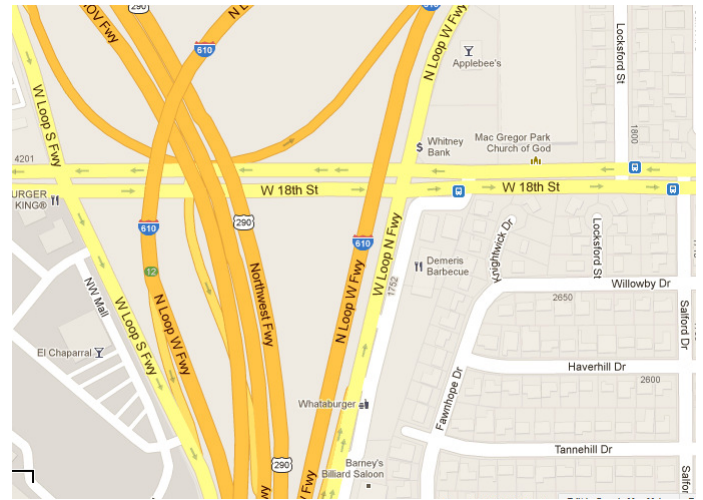
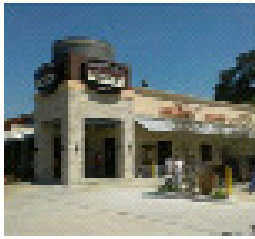
**Dine with Friends at
Demeris BBQ at 6:00 P.M.
located at 1702 West Loop North,
Suite A, Houston, TX 77008**

**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:
"Golden Ford"**

**Featuring the iconic Neil Tuckett and a racing legend
Presented by Broderick Thompson**



Directions to Demeris BBQ

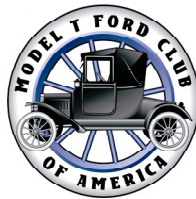
From the east or west on I-10 or the south side of downtown, take the I-610 West Loop North and get off at the 18th Street Exit. Demeris BBQ will be right after Houston Garden Nursery.

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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