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Fords crepitant primum, sed ipsi crepitant longissimae

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This Jubilant New Year
marks a fresh
New start of brighter and
more exciting
Journeys. We wish you
will have the most
Enjoyable ride ever!
Happy New Year to you,
your family and your
Model T.

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Traditional Song

Modern English Translation

Auld Lang Syne

Should auld acquaintance
be forgot,
And never brought to mind?
Should auld acquaintance
be forgot,
And days o' lang syne!

Chorus:

For auld lang syne, my dear
For auld lang syne,
We'll tak a cup o' kindness
yet
For auld lang syne!

We twa hae run about the
braes,
And pu'd the gowans fine,
But we've wander'd mony a
weary foot
Sin' auld lang syne.

We twa hae paidl't in the
burn
Frae morning sun till dine,
But seas between us braid
hae roar'd
Sin' auld lang syne.

And there's a hand, my
trusty fiere,
And gie's a hand o' thine,
And we'll tak a right guid
willie-waught
For auld lang syne!

And surely ye'll be your
pint' stoup,
And surely I'll be mine!
And we'll tak a cup o' kind-
ness yet
For auld lang syne!

Times Gone By

Should old acquaintances
be forgotten,
And never brought to mind?
Should old acquaintances
be forgotten,
And days of long ago!

Chorus:

For times gone by, my dear
For times gone by,
We will take a cup of kind-
ness yet
For times gone by.

We two have run about the
hillsides
And pulled the daisies fine,
But we have wan-
dered many a weary foot
For times gone by.

We two have paddled
(waded) in the stream
From noon until dinner
time,
But seas between us broad
have roared
Since times gone by.

And there is a hand, my
trusty friend,
And give us a hand of yours,
And we will take a goodwill
drink (of ale)
For times gone by!

And surely you will pay for
your pint,
And surely I will pay for
mine!
And we will take a cup of
kindness yet
For times gone by!

On The Cover



Wishing everyone a happy,
prosperous, healthy, fun
loving Model T new Year..

2015 Calendar of Coming Events

- January 14 **Space City T's Meeting**
- February 28 **Great Gatsby Gala Fundraiser**
Calvary Episcopal Preparatory
 Constellation Field, Sugarland Tx
 Karen Stimatz email stimatz@comcast.net
- March 2015 **50th Annual MTFCA Meeting.**
 Hosted by The Orange County Model T Ford Club
- March 14-15 2015 **26th Annual VCCA Auto Swap Meet**
 at Traders Village Market, 7979 N. Eldridge Road. Contact
 Cathy Sweet at 979-236-0792 or catherinesweet@ymail.com.
- July 12-17 2015 **MTFCA's National Tour**
 Celebrating the MTFCA's 50th year
 Cochrane, Alberta, CANADA.
 Hosted by The Foothills
 Model T Club of Calgary

Dues Are Due

The deadline for dues payment is January 15. At that time the roster will be compiled according to those paid up. Dues are still \$25.00 per year

Do not send dues to the editor

Send all dues to our treasurer for 2015,

Dave Lucas

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NOTE: Dues are not tax deductible. To do so will jeopardize our club's 501c non-profit status with the IRS.

PLEASE MAKE CERTAIN HOUSE NUMBER IS 2115

Dear Model T Friends in the USA and Canada

Here is a message from the World Travelers, Trudy and Dirk Regter from Holland .

As a follow up on our tour in 2013 through the USA and Canada, in 2014 we made the 3rd leg of our World Tour through South-America in our 1915 Ford Model T.

We drove 17,000 miles through Colombia , Ecuador , Peru , Bolivia , Chile , Argentina , Uruguay and Brazil .

It was again a beautiful tour and we met a lot of nice and friendly classic car people in this part of the world.

If you want to see our travel adventures of last year, you can visit our website: www.modeltworldtour.com.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a successful 2015.



QUESTION: Which US auto company almost became a part of the GM empire, but never did?

ANSWER: The Ford Motor Company.

Henry Ford was in initial agreement with Will Durant to merge with the help of money titan J.P. Morgan. Plans fell through in early 1908 when first Ford, then Ransom Olds (by this time at Reo, not Olds) decided to accept only cash payment for their companies, rather than stock buyouts.

Source: *Automotive Milestones: Trivia of a Most Unique Machine*

2014 Space City T's Christmas Dinner

By Stan Hoekstra

On December 7 the Space City T's gathered again for the annual Christmas Dinner at Christie's Seafood and Steakhouse. Thanks to Dave and Sandra Lucas for the task of setting up the affair.

The event kicked off with Club President Rick McCracken asking if there was any old or new business that had to be attended to. There being none, he called the meeting adjourned and asked Dave Lucas to give the blessing on the dinner.

Shelly Szerkes with daughter and son William led the group in the singing of several Christmas songs and carols.

Dinner was a choice of fried shrimp, fish prepared Mediterranean style or chicken; followed by chocolate cake for dessert.

Last, but not least was the gift exchange. Bill and Pat Sherrill drew the first choice. What followed was the usual gift exchange (theft?). In the mix were a lot of tools and Christmas decoration that received admiring glances and a goodly number of new owners, albeit some were in temporary possession.

Once again, the final club event provided punctuation mark for the year. Soon, the tours will again resume. See you down the road.





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 are 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

Call Bill McRee at 281-427-0792 for details

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.

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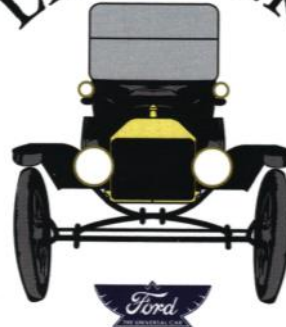
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**Next Meeting
January 14, 2015**



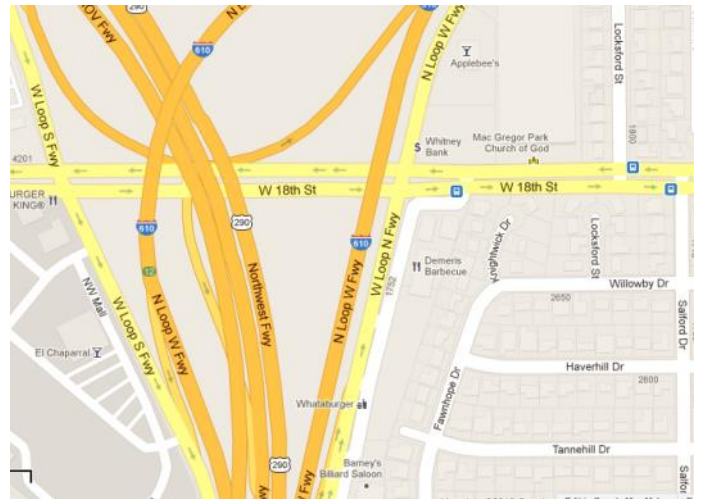
**Dine with Friends at
Demeris BBQ at 6:00 P.M.
located at 1702 West Loop North,
Suite A, Houston, TX 77008**



**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 Point Adjustment
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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