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The MTFCA Museum in Richmond, Indiana

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MTFCA Museum Visit

By Rebecca and Bobby Wright

In June, we were in Indianapolis so we decided to spend one day doing a little sightseeing. A day trip to Richmond, Indiana, home of the MTFCA Museum and the National Air Force Museum (NAFM) at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio was planned.

Driving past Richmond, we made the first stop at the National Air Force Museum. The NAFM is a huge facility -- four huge hanger-type buildings with planes from the Wright Brothers to spacecraft and rockets. And, believe it or not, one Model T. You just never know when a Model T is going to pop up. The one in the NAFM is an early modified chassis serving as a World War I-era ambulance.

After the tour of the NAFM, it was time to head for the MTFCA Museum and grab a bite to eat. In Richmond, about four blocks from the Museum is a small restaurant called the Tin Lizzie Cafe – seemed like a logical place. After a sandwich and a plate of meatloaf, along with a cup of coffee, it was time to be off to the MTFCA Museum.

As we arrived, a light rain started to fall, but it was not enough the cause a problem. The Museum is located in an area of Richmond that is considered historic. There are several interesting shops and mural-painted buildings in the area around the Museum.

The day of our visit, the Museum was manned by two people. We identified ourselves as members so we were asked to sign the registry and told to look around. The main building of the museum is not large enough to hold all the vehicles and other display items, so after seeing the main building, we walked across the street to the overflow building. After being escorted to the annex, we were left with a key and asked to turn off the lights, lock up and return the key to the main building.

The main building houses a gift shop, a Model T powered aircraft, a Model T Fire Truck, a Model N Ford and a variety of other vehicles and some very interesting cut-a-way displays. The annex building houses several Model Ts, a Stude-Mak-A-Tractor conversion and Fordson tractors.

The Museum is a great place to visit and every Model T enthusiast should plan a stop there. It is well worth the time.

1909 Ford Model T

MTFCA Banner

Cutaway Motor

Cutaway Transmission

Model T Firetruck

Fordson Tractors

Tin Lizzie Café Doormat

Ford Logo Stained Glass

Ford Model T Lineup

Pre T Ford Model N

Staude Mak-a-Tractor Sign

Staude Mak-a-Tractor

Ford Model T Snowmobile

Pietenpol T powered aircraft

During Bobby Wright's recent stay in Indianapolis, our hotel was the former Union Station in down-town. There were many displays of historical photographs. This photo shows a modified Model T used to haul luggage and assorted items.

A Great Day Was Had By All

By Rosie Stokley

The flyer I received from Hockley Community Center at 28515 Old Washington Road, Hockley, Texas said they were having a senior Father's Day celebration and classic car show on Friday, June 17, 2016 from 10am to 3pm. Since I was asked, if as a surprise our group the Space City T'S could send some Model T's, I put it out to our group for anyone who could make it. I also asked would there be food, as we know, in Texas we mostly ride and feed. They said yes of course, it is Texas!

My stock answer to the organizer, Debbie, was if my 1926 Model T Touring, named Lizzie, starts and it doesn't rain, I will be there. The day was sunny, and very nice but hot. Lizzie started yeah! To the people who don't know me, I am mostly at a loss a lot about what to do if Lizzie doesn't start. I do know some things, but need my adopted mechanics, the boys in our club to fill in (GOD LOVE THEM).

Well, much to the horror of some of my friends, and some non-believers who I make laugh, I applied for an EZ Pass to go on some or our toll roads. I told the lady in the EZ pass office that I wanted an EZ pass for my antique car. When she took the license plate she said "1926", that is really old. I told her, well you took away my side feeder roads with this new 99 toll road, and I have to go that way sometimes. I don't want to annoy people driving Lizzie on two lane roads when people are going to work in the morning. I neglected to mention my top speed. I was so proud of Lizzie breezing along the 99 toll road. It has wide smooth shoulders. The only hairy spot was going onto Hwy 290. There was no shoulder, but only for 3 exits. I added small blinking lights to my rear bumper with plastic twist ties (it worked like baling wire).

Our hosts Debbie and Gerlinda at the Hockley Community Center were wonderful! The classic cars that were there were beautiful, and I told the owners I was jealous of their paint jobs. I don't think they drive them a lot (show cars). There were no dings or gravel marks.

The T's were in a class all their own, as we always are and the seniors loved them. The other T that came and thank you, was from Mike? Sorry, I forgot your last name (senior moment). It was a T Truck with a great motor and original body. He is not going to restore the body, as he is keeping the wood authentic as it belonged to his grandpa and dad. His face was familiar, and he said he has been to our club meetings a couple of times. He knows Ross but lives in Hockley area. The

people attending the Hockley Community Center event were fun and friendly, with a wonderful pot luck lunch. Some wonderfully talented man whittled little wooden cars and everyone got to pick one similar to their cars. It was so sweet and surprising. The center had some interesting prizes. One was for the person who had the oldest child. The winner was a 92 year old senior, whose son was over 65. The center was a good spot for this event as we could go inside, sit, eat, enjoy A/C and cold drinks. I think that they will make this an annual pre Father's Day celebration. I was invited back to play dominoes on Fridays as that is game-day. In October, I will come back, as there is a big hill and track behind the center for a senior soapbox derby. Can you imagine 92 year olds in wooden soapbox derby cars flying down hills (fearless)! They do and Debbie said it is a great sight, and of course they cater it too. Thank you so much again to all the staff and helpers of Hockley Community Center for their hospitality it was great fun and most appreciated.

Day Trip Shakeout Before The T Party
Hold The Date Saturday, September 10

Where: Starting from Katy near Rosie Stokley's house off I-10 and Mason Road.

Trailer parking in school yard near Rosie. Directions and more information in the next Flivver Flash or by phone.

Time: Meet at 8:30am, leaving promptly at 9:00am. Will have maps.

Invitations are to other car clubs. They can follow slowly or meet at the first stop. You may want to drive regular cars with friends etc.

T's will drive some back roads to our first stop. It's the Veterans of Foreign Wars Museum in Old Katy. Yes, in Katy! This is a wonderful little known museum. They have amazing collections of all foreign wars from before WWI, uniforms, medals, firearms, books on the histories of all our armed services, and many other things. The docent there has made it her life job to acquire things and all their histories. She is a war widow and believe it or not, there are some T's in another building. After the museum we will make our way to a great BBQ restaurant. Lunch is paid on your own.

After lunch, a real treat, as Rosie has been able to acquire an invitation to the Hemi Hideout. It is located outside of Brookshire and is not open to the general public. On this day they are having car clubs, so we can show off our cars together. We have a reservation for 25 spaces from 1pm to 3pm. Rosie can add more but had to start with a number. This place is amazing. The owner started out with classic car collecting in a garage, and grew into a large church-like building. It's all imported wood using only tongue & groove with no nails, and mosaic glass. Added to the collection are antique signs, lots of lights, a full up 1920's soda shop, gardens, etc. The owner has information docents and car guys to give tours and information.

There is a charge of $5 per person. Rosie will collect before going in. This probably goes toward opening the place and the electricity as you will see. For $5 we get a reception with unlimited appetizers, cookies, sweets, ice cream, and all the soft drinks, coffee, and water we need. *No one under 12 years of age admitted due to the antiques, etc.

The road going in does have a dirt hard-pack road. If you enjoyed Gullo's you will like this also. Rosie does need to give some sort of head count before August 10, 2016. We can adjust the count but they need it for the snacks and space, as they add or deduct cars inside and move around.

Contact Rosie Stokley
H 281-574-7805 or C 832-444-9927

Hemi Hideout Event

Date: September 10, 2016

Address: 1172 Wilpitz Rd. Brookshire, Texas 77423

Event time: 1:00pm-3:00pm

We have invited Rosemarie Stokley and the Space City T's (25 people) to join us (please no one under the age of 12)! We ask for $5.00 cash per person. Included in the admission fee is a tour of the Hemi Hideout, snacks, soft drinks, water, beer, ice cream, cookies and fun fellowship! John Hovas, the owner of the Hemi Hideout matches all the money we collect from the admission fee, and we donate 100% of the money to selected charities in the Brookshire and Sealy area!

There will be other clubs joining us that day. We host the event rain or shine. If it rains, we ask that you still attend the event, driving your daily driver!

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great day!

Shelly Gates, 713-825-2555

2016 Calendar of Coming Events

July 6	**Space City T's Meeting**
Aug 10	**Space City T's Meeting**
Aug TBD	**Car Restoration Roundtable Discussion, W. H. Stark House in Orange TX, contact Drew Whatley at dwhatley@whstarkhouse.org.**
Sept 10	**08:30am - Day Trip Shakeout tour before Texas T Party** **1:00pm - Hemi Hideout Event**
Sep 14	**Space City T's Meeting**
Sep 24	**Rice University Antique car display in the football stadium parking lot at 10am. $20 - $30 fee.** **Contact Matthew Brandsema, Account Executive for Rice Athletics.**
Sept 28-Oct 2	**Texas T Party in Stephenville, TX**
Oct 12	**Space City T's Meeting**
Nov 9	**Space City T's Meeting**
Dec TBD	**Space City T's Christmas Dinner**

A.J. Berg

1928 - 2016

AJ Berg, 87, died peacefully in Conroe, TX on June 7, 2016. Berg was born on November 28, 1928, in Philadelphia, PA, to Isadore and Molly Berg. In 1951, he joined the Marine Corps and was assigned to Camp Lejeune, NC. SSgt. Berg was discharged with full honors in 1959. He was very proud of his Marine Corps service. AJ married Ruth R. Ashe in Philadelphia on June 16, 1965. They have two sons; he was a fiercely dedicated and loving father. He worked as an independent truck driver until 1982, when he moved the family to Texas and started a successful pre-owned car business. He sold the business in 2001 and continued to buy and sell cars on a limited basis until 2014. AJ loved cars, trucks, and motorcycles, almost as much as he loved his family. He was active in old car and motorcycle clubs for 50 years, including clubs for Model A Fords, Model T Fords, Buicks, Harley-Davidsons, etc., serving as national president at one time for the CHVA. He enjoyed driving his cars in various community parades. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Ruth, and sons, Adam (wife Amber) and Jason (wife Gayle); his grandchildren Jacob, Amanda, Samantha, and Trevor, his cousin, Julia Goldin, and many devoted friends.

Flivver Flash Inputs Needed

Do You Have Something to Share? A Barn find, Funny and not so Funny Model T stories, Tour Photos, or Articles about Model T's. Your Model T acquisition Stories, Restoration Photos or Swap meet finds.

A Special interest article?

We need articles and photos for our Flivver Flash news letter.

Please contact Clint at:

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39th Annual TEXAS T PARTY

Sept 28th - Oct 1, 2016

Stephenville, Texas

Cowboy Capital of the World

Hosted by Space City T's

Preparations are well underway for this years Texas T's Party, returning to Stephenville, Texas for four days of driving, sightseeing, eating and this year's added attraction - the 9th Annual Ranger Fly-In.

We are planning excursions to Hico, Glen Rose, Dublin, DeLeon, Commanche and then on Saturday to Ranger to spend the day at the Fly-In with over 100 antique airplanes at a vintage grass airstrip that once welcomed Amelia Earhart.

As previously advertised the Host Hotel is the Holiday Inn Express
121 S. Lockhart, Stephenville, TX 254-965-8899
We fully booked this hotel in less than 30 days, you can call and be added to a waiting list in case there are cancellations, but if you have not yet booked a room please do so now as we will be sharing Stephenville with the parents of Tarleton University this same weekend and all rooms will be sold.
First alternate - Make your reservations here:
La Quinta Inns & Suites - 105 Christy Plaza - 254-918-2444
This hotel is pet friendly, refer to Texas T Party when making your reservation to get the rate of: Single King - $115.00++ 2 Doubles - $105.00++
This hotel is next door to the Holiday Inn - serves breakfast.

RV Parking - Lost Creek RV Park - Contact Jason
1962 US-281, Stephenville, TX 76401 254-965-6223
He would not give me rates, please contact him for rates and availability.

Tour fees will be $175.00 for the car & driver, passengers will be $150.00 each and children 12 and under are no charge. We will be able to accommodate a few single day visitors - contact me for pricing for the specific day, but if your visitors are riding more than one day they will need to pay the full tour pricing.
The registration form is included, please complete and mail back with full payment no later than August 15th.
Note that Inspections Forms will be mailed separately at a later date, you will be required to turn in your inspection form at the time you receive your registration package at the tour, we want to make sure all cars are inspected and road worthy prior to starting the tour.

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Next Meeting
July 6, 2016

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

Directions to Demeris BBQ

NOTICE: FM 290 CONSTRUCTION DETOURS

If construction allows, 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 immediately on the right after Houston Garden Nursery.

If construction allows, 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 BBQ after the WhataBurger.

If construction allows, 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 BBQ will be on your right after Houston Garden Center.

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