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## On The Cover



Photo by Denny Irvine

Attendees gather at the 5th Annual Space City T's Ice Cream Social before Dave Lucas asks the blessing on the food. The Ice Cream Social was begun by Charlie and Kay Tyner. Since Charlie's passing, Bill and Pat Sherrill have hosted the event.

For more, see page 4.

## The Latest Ford (Model T) Slogans

A local "ford crank" has compiled the following list of slogans or mottos seen on Ford wrecks in or about Webb City:

Nash Can  
Mah Junk  
The Tintype  
Oil by Myself  
Sick Cylinders  
Little Bo Beep  
Mis Frequently  
99 Per Cent Static  
Jump In, Jolt Out  
Shake, Rattle and Roll  
Danger, 6600 Jolts  
The Stuttering Stutz  
The Uncovered Wagon  
Four Wheels—All Tired  
Why Girls Walk Home  
100 Per Cent Merri Can  
Not Lazy—Just Shiftless  
See What \$12.50 Will Do  
Baby, Here's Your Rattle  
Chicken, Here's Your Coop  
Darling, I'm Growing Old  
Honest Weight, No Springs  
There's Beauty In Every Jar



For Sale—\$1.98—While It Lasts  
Fierce Arrow—With Aquivver  
No One Injured in the Wreck  
True Love Never Runs Smoothly  
It Ain't Gonna Run Much More  
Dodge—Metal Can Touch You  
7 Days In This Makes One Weak  
Capacity 5,000 Gallons—1 at a Time  
Sister, You'd Look Tough, Without Paint Too  
I Rattle in My Rear End, But I Don't Strike  
So We Took the Fifty Dollars and Bought this  
Laugh—I Paid Cash For Mine  
4 Wheel, 4 Brakes, 4 Installments  
The Latest—  
"I Do Not Choose to Run in 1928"

— Source Unknown



## News From the Front

We received the following email from the Cordeses concerning the Texas T Party:

We'll have access to a nice large room with a small kitchen area and we'll have some snacks and drinks, plates, cups, etc., but we'd like to invite folks to bring additional goodies (if they want to) to share.

Ben and Nancy Hardeman as well as Charlie and Kay Tyner in '02 and '03 both had "meet and greets" which were very well attended. We'll have this room for Wednesday and Thursday afternoons so folks can reconnect with old friends and meet new ones. Strictly voluntary.

## He Got That Right!

"It'll probably take a hundred years to know if Henry Ford helped us or hurt us but he sure didn't leave us where he found us."

—Will Rogers



## ALS Benefit at Circle D Transmissions

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) is more commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease. The founder of Circle D Transmissions, Dennis Sehorn, succumbed to ALS in 2008. The Sehorn family created the Dennis Sehorn Foundation working to provide physical and financial support to people with ALS and their families. The foundation is a 100% volunteer operated, 501(c)(3) organization. This first annual fund raiser was held on June 4. Visit the website <http://www.als-sehorn.org/>



Paul Spitzenberger and Will Rice showed their cars at the ALS Benefit. They were a nice counterpoint to the other modern sleek machines. Thanks, guys, for participating.



## New Comer



In attendance at the Ice Cream Social was one of the Space City T's newest and youngest members, Vivien Grace Lilleker, shown here with Daddy Ross.



## And The Newest Arrival

### 2011-12 Calendar of Coming Events

July 20 2011 **Space City T's Meeting**  
**NOTE DATE CHANGE !**

September 28-October 2 2011 **Texas T Party**  
Bastrop, Texas  
The Heart of the Lost Pines  
Jeff and Luke Cordes, Chairmen  
713-926-3217  
Email: [cordesworks@yahoo.com](mailto:cordesworks@yahoo.com)

November 4-6 2011 **Fall Conroe Swap Meet.**  
Montgomery County Fairgrounds  
across from Airport in Conroe Texas  
[www.hotrodsoftexas.com](http://www.hotrodsoftexas.com)  
409-749-0824, 337-249-7667

March/April 2012 **See the South Slowly Tour**  
North American Touring Ts  
Susan and Joss Sanderson  
5220 W. Larkspur Ridge Dr.  
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The very newest member is Matthew Rice. We received the following email from Will Rice:

We are proud to introduce the youngest member of [Space City T's](#), Matthew Wesley Rice, born 9 June 2011, and with my genes weighing in at 8 lbs 9 oz. So far he has figured out how to work his eyebrows and his tongue, so he has some pretty funny expressions. Matthew has his days and nights confused, and is ready to play around midnight. We're considering moving to [Australia](#) until he gets his more in sync with central standard time.

Mom says he can't ride in the T until he is a lot older, but I'm going to try for an exemption for the upcoming [4th of July](#) parade.

Congratulations to the proud and happy family!

## The Charlie Tyner Memorial Ice Cream Social - May 14, 2011

By Stan Hoekstra

Bill Sherrill didn't sleep well last night. He worried about the Annual Ice Cream Social that is becoming a tradition with the Space City T's. He fretted that the weather would not co-operate.

At daybreak his fears were confirmed. When he and Pat looked out the door of their bayside home they saw that a blue norther had pushed trough and a gale force wind was shoving the water away from the shore and exposing the pilings of the dock. Worse, it was cold outside.

Fast forward to 1:00 P.M. The sky is blue, the water has settled down to gentle waves and the air has warmed to a comfortable 80 degrees with a gentle breeze coming off the bay. All is well.

Bill is presiding over the grill commanding his production line of hamburger patties and hot dogs. Pat is seeing to the little details that make such an affair a smash success.

A few feet away Denny Irvine has fired up his hit 'n miss Fairbanks-Morris engine that's propelling an ice cream churn.

Guests are arriving, some in Model T's, some with Model T's and some in modern vehicles. It isn't long and folks settle into conversation.

When food preparations are complete, Dave Lucas gives the blessing and all line up to partake of the labors of Bill and Pat. You-build-it hamburgers and chili hotdogs with chips and beans are followed by ice cream desserts. Flavors available are Strawberry, Rocky Road, Butter Pecan and a new introductory flavor titled Fairbanks-Morse. Toppings and other dessert sides are optional.

After lunch it's relaxing to lay back in an Adirondack chair and look out across the bay dotted with sailboats. Fifty feet away, squadrons of Pelicans fly in formation across our line of vision.

Kids cavort on the lawn, doing headstands and cartwheels. Some are nodding off. In these surroundings, it's easy to forget your problems and those of the world.

Although the early morning looked foreboding, the day turned out to be a sparkler that no one would complain about. We are sure that Bill will sleep well tonight, knowing that he and Pat put together another delightful gathering that is becoming a club institution.

This is the fifth year of the Ice Cream Social. It was the inspiration of Charlie and Kay Tyner who hosted the first two events. After Charlie's passing, Bill and Pat have been the hosts. Bill wants the event to be known as the Charlie Tyner Memorial Ice Cream Social.

And so it is.



**On The Waterfront**



**A Lazy Afternoon**



**Theme: Bayside Ice Cream Social**





**Denny's Hit 'n Miss Ice Cream Churn**



**Bill Demonstrates the Ice Cream Freezer**



**The Chow Line**



**The Dessert Line**



**A Bucolic Scene**



**Long May They Wave**



## Post Script

### THE TRUE MEANING OF JULY 4th

Have you ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence?

Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died.

Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned.

Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army; another had two sons captured.

Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War.

They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

What kind of men were they?

Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners; men of means, well educated, but they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his Ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts, and died in rags.

Thomas McKeam was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding.

His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward.

Vandals or soldiers looted the properties of Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge, and Middleton.



At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr., noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt.

Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months.

John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished. Some of us take these liberties so much for granted, but we shouldn't.

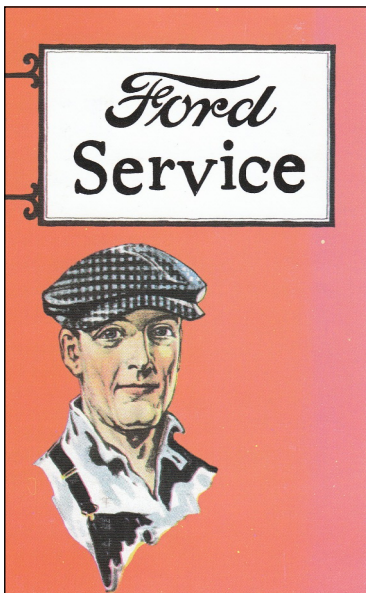
Take a few minutes while enjoying your 4th of July holiday and silently thank these patriots. It's not much to ask for the price they paid.

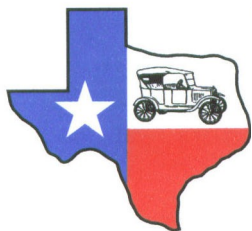
Remember: freedom is never free!

It's time we get the word out that patriotism is NOT a sin, and the Fourth of July has more to it than beer, picnics, and baseball games.

-Author Unknown

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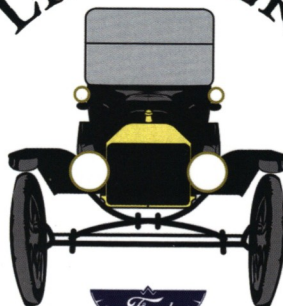
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**Wanted: Model T Ford**—1909 - 1925 Car or parts needing restoration, running or not. Roadster preferred, must be reasonably priced. Contact: David Craft 281-328-6375

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Chris Chambers 210-265-9250, [crchambers17@yahoo.com](mailto:crchambers17@yahoo.com).

### For Sale: 1914 Model T Truck

Excellent condition \$12,500

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Lee Latham [le2\\_lat42@yahoo.com](mailto:le2_lat42@yahoo.com)



### For Sale: 1922 Canadian Coupe

Engine number C379398, more parts than shown. Asking \$800.00

Butch Edmunds 713-201-5963

Waller, Texas







## NOTE DATE CHANGE !

### Next Meeting

July 20, 2011



Dine with Friends at  
Jax Grill at 6:00 P.M.  
1613 Shepherd Drive in the Heights

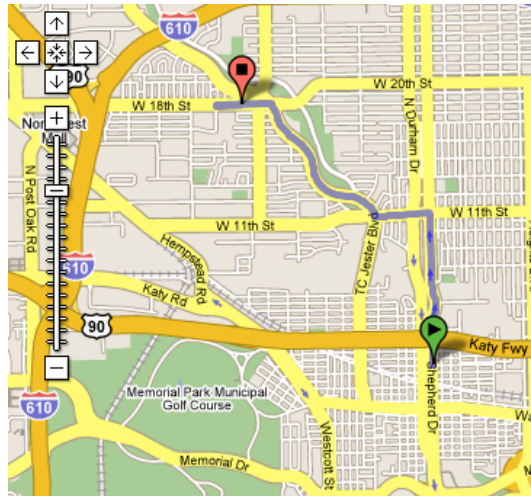
Then attend the  
Space City T's Meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Place:

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

Program:

The Annual Charlie Tyner Memorial Ice Cream Social  
A Video Presentation by Denny Irvine



### Directions from Jax Grill to Lazybrook Baptist Church

Head **north** from Shepherd Dr - go **0.3 mi**  
Continue on N Shepherd Dr - go **0.8 mi**  
Turn **left** at W 11th St - go **0.4 mi**  
Turn **right** at TC Jester Blvd - go **0.2 mi**  
Bear **left** at W TC Jester Blvd - go **1.0 mi**  
Turn **left** at W 18th St - go **0.4 mi**  
Turn **left** into the **parking lot** of the church

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