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Florida Model T Winter Tour 2018

By Nancy & Jerry Smith

We are off to Florida on the Model T Winter Tour hosted by the Tin Lizzie Club of North Central Florida. In attendance were Rosie Stokley, Bill Severn, his daughter Beth, son-in-law Tim & granddaughter Olivia, the Lilleker family plus Mom from England and Jerry & Nancy Smith from the Space City Ts.



250 people in 130 cars were present representing England, Ireland, Canada and the USA.

Mission Inn Resort & Club was our base for the tour. The Beucher family of Wilmette, IL originally purchased the Floridan Country Club and golf course in 1964. They developed the Howey-in-the-Hills property into a Spanish style golf resort known as Mission Hills. It has two championship golf courses: El Campeon and Las Colinas. The grounds and architecture are truly beautiful!



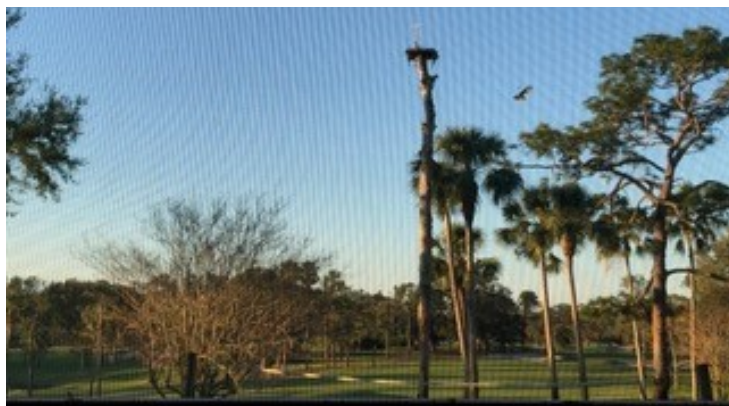
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Sunday – 3/4/18

We had three great choices as we didn't start touring until 12:00pm

- Yalaha Bakery which is just down the road from where we stayed. Baked goods and food were to die for.
- Benningers Antique and Flea Market
- Sarah Maude Mason Nature Preserve

Sunday night was the opening banquet and we were seated at random to give us a chance to meet others on the tour



Osprey nest with flying Osprey

Monday – 3/5/18

Our first tour stop was Sunsational Citrus, a small family owned company.

We continued touring to Mt Dora, where there was plenty of shopping and restaurants, with an opportunity for boat and sea plane tours. We ate dinner several nights at Boondocks which sits on Lake Harris with good food and a fine view of the lake.



Wisteria Arbor



Rosie enjoying the Wisteria Arbor

Tuesday – 3/6/18

Day 3 took us to Oakland Nature Preserve with wonderful walkways into the wilds of Florida. Our next stop was Winter Park, an interesting little town that is very bicycle and jogger friendly. The beautiful arbor of Wisteria marked the center of town.

Winter Park is also the home of the Heritage and the Central Florida Railroad Museums.

On our way back to the Mission Inn we stopped at the Old Time Boat Restoration which works exclusively on wooden boats. That night was the Ice Cream Social and auction which raised money for the MTFCI Piquette Museum, the MTFCA Museum in Indiana and the youth involvement in Model Ts.

Thursday – 3/7/2018

Last day of the tour took us to Clermont. The Historic Village was a must see. They opened just for us. We returned to Howey-in-the-Hills



Howey Mansion



Howey Mansion interior

via Sugar Loaf Mountain. At 312 feet it is the highest point on the peninsula of Florida. Our last stop was the Howey mansion. Built in 1925 it was the home of citrus grower William J Howey. In disrepair for many years it is now being restored.

If you ever get the chance to visit the Mission Inn in Howey-in-the-Hills, Florida, don't miss it.

LAKEVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

By Dave Lucas

What a great Saturday (3/24/18) to show cars and help the Sugarland Community celebrate the 100th year anniversary of the Lakeview Elementary school. A school built in 1918 especially for the employees of the Pure Cane Sugar manufacturing facility located in Sugarland Texas.



Dave Lucas trailered his 1927 Tudor, Doug Brough drove his 1927 Touring, Ryan

Levermann drove his 1924 C Cab one ton truck and John Gamble drove his 1915 Touring to the event. There were also a couple Model



A's present, one 1914 Model T Fire Truck owned

by the Sugarland fire department, two Corvette's, one art car and a replica BATMOBILE. All cars were a huge success for the event and of course the Model T's held their own as far

as attention and questions from curious minds as to how to drive and operate the machine. The weather was very nice with mild temperatures due to the light overcast skies making for a very pleasant day. Lots and lots of people strolled thru the arts and crafts area then thru the car display over to the silent & live auctions and generally milled around all for the good cause of raising funds



for school computer equipment. I would just like to say thanks to our club members

for showing the support to our local cities and surrounding communities and to keep the history of the automobile alive and spark new interest in the youth that always seem to be thrilled to see the automobiles.

Thanks, Dave Lucas, President, Space City T's of Houston Chapter

West Sam Houston National Forest T Tour-Sunday April 15, 2018 (Weather permitting)

By Peter Adey

This is a scenic drive through the western half of Sam Houston National Forest. The proposed route (subject to change) is 66 miles rolling through the east Texas piney woods with several nice views of Lake Conroe. The route starts and ends at the Chevron/Burger King on the southbound I45 junction with Possum Walk Rd (FM 1374). Please arrive by 10:00 for 11:00 departure. There is ample space for trailers and parking. Lunch is about halfway through the drive at The Old Montgomery Steak House in the quaint town of Montgomery with lots of antique stores and old town charm. Drive should conclude around 3:00.

Directions to parking: (6505d FM1374, New Waverly, TX 77358) - Take I45 North to New Waverly (exit 102). Cross 1375 and continue north on the feeder road for about 1 mile then turn left (west) on FM 1374. You will see the Chevron and Burger King – trailer parking area is in the rear.

Please arrive by 10:00am as we depart at 11:00am sharp. Since this is a short tour we will not have a vulture wagon. However, since cell service can be spotty, I hope someone will volunteer to act as a chase vehicle to follow the cars in the event of a breakdown. There are very few lights along the route so we should be able to stay pretty much together.

Please advise Peter Adey 832-702-9085 if you intend to join and the number in your party. Headcount may be needed for lunch reservations.

Itinerary:

10:00 – Arrive at Chevron (6505d FM1374, New Waverly, TX 77358)

11:00 – Depart – West on Possum Walk Rd (FM1374) for 11.5 mi.

Left on Bowden Rd for 5.5 mi. (pave – caliche – dirt)

Left on 1791 - after 13 miles it crosses 149 – go straight on Bethel Rd. / 1097 for 11 mi.

Right on 149 for 1 mi.

12:30 – Arrive Montgomery

Lunch: Old Montgomery Steakhouse

204 McCown St, Montgomery, TX 77356

– Antique shopping and town tour

2:30 – Back on the road

North on 149 for 7 mi.

Right on 237 (Osborne Rd. - Look for Century 21 sign on right) follow for 3 mi.

Right on 1375 for 7.5 mi. (bridge over Lake Conroe)

Left on 233 sign reads: “Multi Use Trail Parking” turn left there. Road goes to dirt – several twists

After about 1 mile turn left at the facilities base and continue (rough road) for about 1.5 miles then turn right (no signage) continue straight on main road for another 6 miles.

Right on 1374 (Possum Walk Rd.) for 4 mi. to Chevron Station

3:00 – End Tour – Pack up and head home.



2018 TEXAS T PARTY OCTOBER 10 - 13

We're heading to Schulenburg, TX

It is time to mark your calendars for the **41st Annual Texas T-Party**. This year's event will be in **Schulenburg, Texas**. We will start the tour on Wednesday morning Oct 10 and will close it with the banquet on Saturday evening October 13.

The hotels are: Main hotel is **Holiday Inn & Suites at 200 Heinrich St, Schulenburg, TX 78956**, call (979)307-5555 (service animals **ONLY**). Overflow hotel will be the **Best Western Plus at 101 Huser Schulenburg, TX 78956** call 979)743-2030 (\$20 fee per night for **pets**). Make your reservations now, you can cancel later if you need to. Mention the **Texas T-Party** when you call, rates are \$109 (includes breakfast). Unfortunately, there aren't any RV Parks nearby, the nearest one is 16 miles away in Weimer. There is plenty of grassy area with the trailers.

Tour fees will be \$175 for the car & driver, passengers will be \$150 and children 12 and under will be free. We will accommodate a few single day visitors – call for a daily amount – but if riding more than one day, please figure the full tour amount.



[2018-T-Party-Registration-Form.pdf](#)



Tour the
Painted Churches

Visit a couple
Wineries

Corn Maze

Airplane Museum

And maybe...

Check out a Car
Collection

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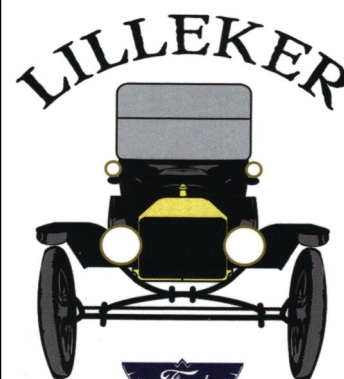
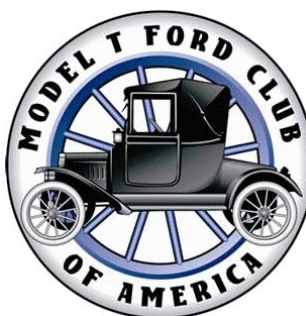
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Calendar of Events

- Apr 5-7 [Mecum Car Auction-Houston](#)
- Apr 15 [West Sam Houston National Forest T Tour: Peter Adey](#)
- Apr 19-22 [Fly on the Ford - Angleton, TX](#)
- Apr 28 [LaPorte Parade & Car Show](#)
- Apr 28 [Conroe Kidzfest: Larry Foerster](#)
- May 5 [Galveston Tour: Bobby Wright](#)
- May TBD [Ice Cream Social in Bacliff: Bill & Pat Sherrill](#)
- Oct 10-13 [Schulenberg Texas T Party: Rosemarie Stokley](#)

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? **Please email ads, articles, photos, stories, etc. to:**

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Next Meeting
April 11, 2017



Dine with Friends at
Demeris BBQ at 6:00 P.M.

located at
1702 West Loop North,
Suite A, Houston, TX 77008

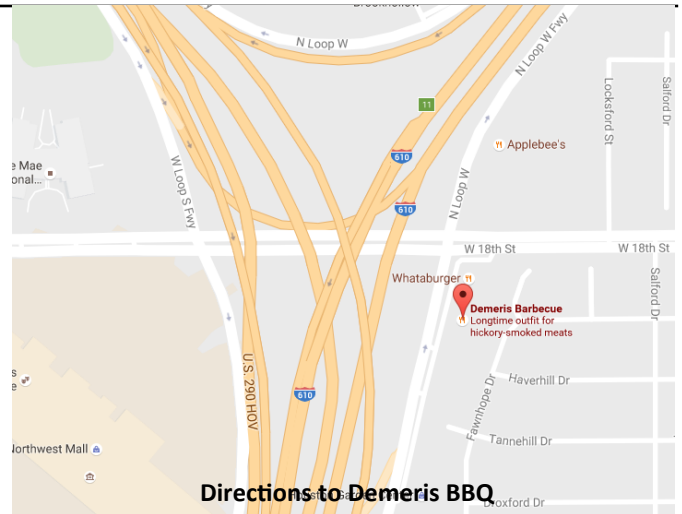
Then attend the
Space City T's Meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Place:

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

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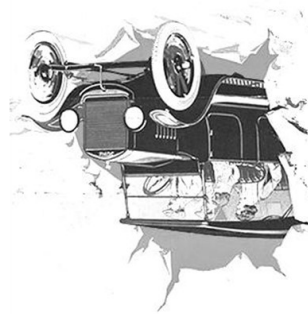


NOTICE: FM 290 CONSTRUCTION DETOURS

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



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