

# The Flivver Flash

The Official Newsletter of the Space City T's - Houston, TX

## Chevron and Calso

By Jim Davis

This is what I found while researching the internet for Chevron and Calso oil companies. Standard Oil of California emerged in 1911 upon the breakup of the Standard Oil Company and trademarked the Chevron name and the three-bar chevron logo.



During WWII, the company adopted the "winged V" logo to symbolize victory.

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Originally, Chevron remained local to the western United States. In 1946, the company adopted the Calso name for the northeastern market, including Vermont, using the red and white station design seen below.

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Too bad that the following photo is only black and white.



In 1955, Chevron adopted its hallmark red, white, and blue logo, shown here in black and white.



In 1958, all Calso stations in the Northeast were converted to Chevron stations, using the logo designs developed for the Chevron market in 1955, as seen here.



In 1969, the company developed a new logo consisting of two bold red and blue stripes topped with the Chevron name.



This Calso photo below appears to have been taken in about 1946. It looks like two Chevrolets are in the back ground. The gas pump seems to be electric but was running on belt driven auxiliary power from the Model T Coupe for some reason. I guess California had blackouts back then too. It looks like the Model T is about to fall off the jack; at least they have the left wheel blocked with a rock, but it still looks pretty precarious!



Those were the days!



# A FORD IS REBORN

By Denny Irvine

When I was growing up, our family was in general construction. I can remember the trip from Greeley, Colorado to Castle Rock to buy a used Ford 8N tractor with a loader. That was the most useful tool we had—hauling, lifting, mixing cement, you name it. I'll bet I have at least 2000 hours operating that tractor. So maybe that explains why I would give \$600 for a inop piece of junk?



So here it is, newly arrived at my shop after we aired up the tires, cut the trees and grass, pulled it into my trailer (not running of course) and first pass of pressure washing. It's a 1946 Ford 2N. It's 75 years old—I'm 76, so I guess that's why I decided to help this tractor back to life. First thing was to get it running (or not) to see what condition it was in. This thing had lichens growing on it! It checked out good! Compression, gears, oil pressure, hydraulics—and so the restoration began. This was not going to be a "Krylon Overhaul".



As you know, Henry was a farmer at heart. He was producing the "Fordson"—so named because of his differences with the Ford Board of Directors. But that machine was rapidly becoming obsolescent. It was heavy, steel wheeled and balky. Enter Harry Ferguson, who was building tractors in England with David Brown. They made a deal, and Henry just put his Ford emblem on what they would call the 9N. Harry would do all the marketing. But along comes WWII and it's illegal to raise prices. Henry decides to introduce a "new model" called the 2N and he raises the price. You can see a little of "Bad Henry" showing up here, as well as the marketing agreement starting to break down. It was during this period that Henry's son Edsel dies and Henry came back as President of Ford. But by now, he was so old he couldn't effectively run the company and decided to hand over

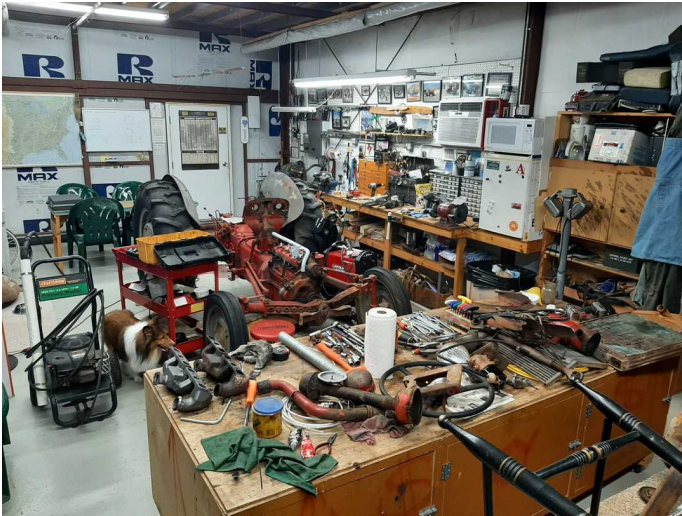


the reins to his grandson, Henry Ford II.

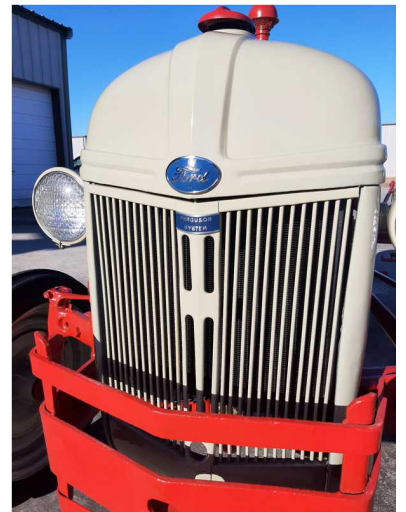
Then, in 1947, Henry Ford dies at the age of 83. Henry Ford II disliked the lack of marketing control over the tractor business and soon announced that Ford would be establishing their own distribution and marketing company to distribute an improved version of the 9N. Thus the 8N was born and became Ford's best selling tractor.







New radiator, battery alternator, starter, rear tires, tubes and rims, panel gauges, manifold, headlights, spark plugs, wires, distributor, gastank sealant, cast iron welding, brake shoe linings, bushings, bearings, carburetor, filters, all fluids, and, of course, the new Ford Emblems



It has already been sold and should be good for at least another 50 years. It's now doing duty as an aircraft towing tug. You should stop by Jim Smith's hangar and see it.



# 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual National PRE-WAR SWAP MEET

*where the east meets the west*

**March 18th & 19th, 2022**  
**Friday & Saturday**

**30 miles SW of OKC on I-44**  
**Exit HWY 62 (Exit 83)**

**West to the Grady County**  
**Fairgrounds**

**1895-1945**



**Celebrating the first**  
**50 years of the automobile!**

**Pre-War transportation**  
**related items only**

**Vendors unwilling**  
**to comply need**  
**not apply**

## CONTACT US:

**Michael & Susie Ersland**

**(405) 224-9090 // [www.pwsm.com](http://www.pwsm.com)**

**Make check payable to PRE-WAR SWAP MEET**  
**P.O. Box 562, Chickasha, OK 73023**

**Deadline: Pre-Registration (for same space) Nov. 1, 2021**  
**All spaces \$50 in advance\* // \$60 at gate**

**Name:** .....

**Address:** .....

**City / State / Zip:** .....

**Home:** ..... **Cell:** .....

**Email:** .....



By checking this box, you are agreeing to receive all correspondence via email.

\*All sales final. No refunds will be issued.

**Number of spaces requested**  
**outside:**

..... Gravel / Grass (approx. 10'x30')

..... Paved Lot (approx. 9'x25' / max height 9')

**inside:**

..... South Building (approx. 10'x10')

..... North Building (approx. 10'x10')

..... Tables (North Building only / \$10 each)  
\*tables limited // rental based on availability

If more than one space, request layout

..... End to End ..... Side by Side

## Space City T's Dues Are Due

Remember, the deadline for dues payment is March 15, 2022. At that time the roster will be compiled according to those paid. Dues are still **\$25.00** per year. Please **print** out this page, **fill out** the form below with your most recent information, and make your check payable to: **Space City T's**.

Please **mail** your dues to the Treasurer at:

**Jerry Smith**  
**13723 Llano Lake Court**  
**Houston, Texas 77059**

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

### SPACE CITY T's MEMBER ENROLLMENT

**Model T Ford Club of America membership # if Applicable** \_\_\_\_\_

**Model T Ford Club International membership # if Applicable** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_ **CHECK #** \_\_\_\_\_ **AMOUNT \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Spouse** \_\_\_\_\_

**Minor Children (under age 18)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Work:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Model T's Owned:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Space City T's of Houston Bylaws, Article VI, Section 4: Dues for members admitted to membership between July 1 and December 31 shall pay (1/2) of the annual dues: \$12.50 for the given 1/2 year, \$25.00 per year thereafter.

The Flivver Flash is published by the Space City T's chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America in Houston, Texas twelve times per year. This newsletter is produced for the education and enjoyment of members and those expressing interest in joining the Space City T's. Said education and enjoyment is as it pertains to the Model T Ford automobile. The Flash is also shared with other antique auto clubs. Other clubs may use articles from this publication with credit to this newsletter or the original source. News, articles, ads or anything of interest to the club must be submitted to the editor by the 20th of the month preceding the month of publication. Emailing takes place the last week of the month. Annual dues are \$25 per year.

#### 2022 Space City Club Officers and Board Members

President	Dave Lucas	281-388-0761
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Board Member	Bobby Wright	409-771-5548
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## New Members Wanted

Please visit our [Space City T's of Houston Texas web site](#). If interested in becoming a member, please provide your name, address, mobile phone, & email, and make a \$25 check payable to the:

## Space City T's

Please mail your information form and check to the Treasurer at:

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*A special "Thank You" to all club members who paid their 2022 dues!*

The Space City T's Club is the Houston, Texas chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America. All questions concerning membership, The Vintage Ford magazine, the MTFCA library, chapter insurance, purchase of manuals, back magazine issues, or store items can be directed to the following:

#### Model T Ford Club of America

309 N. 8th Street, PO BOX 996  
Richmond, IN 47375-0996  
Phone: 765-855-5248

Email: [rachel@mtfca.com](mailto:rachel@mtfca.com)

\$40 annual dues includes six issues of the Vintage Ford

Join MTFCA at: [www.mtfca.com](http://www.mtfca.com)

### For Sale: 1918 SOUTHERN WIDETRACK COUPELET



All new body wood done by Ray Wells. Body work almost complete. Motor rebuilt to a short block. Car is disassembled. More photos available upon request.

**\$13,500**

Contact:  
Eric 'Gator' Gould  
318-268-8538 (AL)

### For Sale: 1920 Model T Center Door Sedan



Recently rebuilt engine and transmission. Flat tube Brass Works radiator, new upholstery kits ordered, 12v, new firewall and floorboards

**\$10,500**

Eric "Gator" Gould  
Hm: 251-765-2677

### For Sale: 1927 Ford Model T, 2 door, Tudor Sedan



Excellent stock example of the final year of Model T Ford production #14,494,433. Well maintained with lots of original parts. Licensed in Texas.

**\$12,500**

Contact:  
Walter  
520.255.2757 (TX)

## FLIVVER FLASH INPUTS NEEDED

Do you have something to share? A barn find, funny or 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. etc. to: [topkick7@outlook.com](mailto:topkick7@outlook.com)



Check your email to see if our **March 9, 2022** Meeting is at Demeris BBQ and the Lazy Brook Baptist Church



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

located at

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

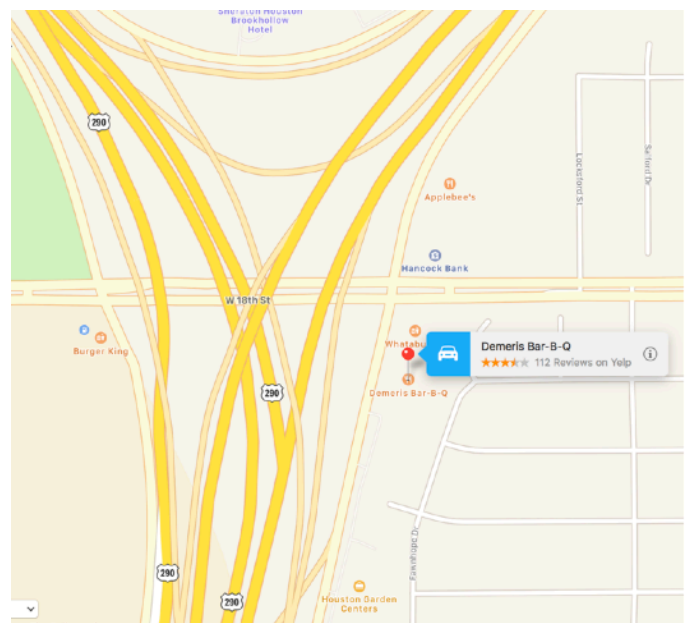
Then attend the  
Space City T's Meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Place:

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

Website: [www.spacecityts.org](http://www.spacecityts.org)

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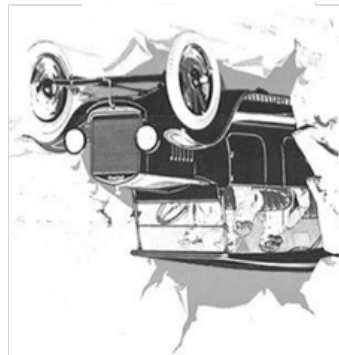


**Directions to Demeris BBQ**

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 immediately on the 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 BBQ after the 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 BBQ will be on your right after Houston Garden Center.



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