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<http://tennesseets.weebly.com/>



A message from **Gary Tillstrom**, our President:

Greetings T's:

Sadly, we lost member Jim Berg last month. Jim was a newer member who some of us first met at Steve Summers a few years back during one of our workday events. I forget everything that was covered that year but I remember we re-bushed his front end and some other light work. Jim enjoyed the day and we enjoyed meeting him and being in his company. Our sympathies to his family.

Summer is going to be over in just a few short weeks. The fall always brings the best T weather (+the lawn grows slower). I hope you are planning on coming to Lawrenceburg next month. Hubert and Blayne will have good roads and a good time planned for us. That is a nice part of the state and made for T's with plenty of back roads. You might even have to share the road with a horse!

Please give consideration to working on the proposed tour near Cookeville. George Akin has proposed a chapter tour next spring of the area as a test run of a possible regional tour the following year (2019). If it is well supported it can happen. This is more than one or two people should try to do and will require a number of us to volunteer to handle certain tasks. We will discuss further at our meeting in Lawrenceburg. Please look at any areas you might be able to assist with. Be ready to raise your hands.

Don't forget to make plans for the chapter Christmas party on December 2nd at 3:00 PM. It will again be held at the Pin Oak Lodge in the Natchez Trace State Park. See you next month in Lawrenceburg. Gary

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# Tennessee T's



## Model T Ford Club

Editor- Bill Robinson

# WANTED

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED !!

The Tennessee T's Club has been asked to host a **National Tour** for the MTFCA during August of 2019. This will be a 5 day tour out of Cookeville TN. We will be visiting communities of Baxter, Smithville, Livingston, Sparta, Granville, Gainsborough, Algood, and Monterey. State Parks- Standing Stone, Cummings Falls, Edgar Evans, Burgess Falls and Rock Island are included in the sites we will visit. We will need **volunteers** to help with hosting the tour. You can contact Hobart (George) Akin at [hora7@aol.com](mailto:hora7@aol.com) or call 865-789-3234

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**Membership Application click here**

# Tours and Events

Contact Gary Tillstrom, our club President, if you have a tour planned to be sure the date is still open.  
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For Sale

Date	Event (Tennessee T's events are highlighted)
Aug 31-Sep 3	2017 Ohio Jamboree- Berlin Ohio contact tomlinda@twc.com
Sept 6-10	Hillbilly Tour, Osage Beach MO
Sep 17-20	Stonewall Country Tour, Weston, WV, by Mountain State T's of West Virginia, email carboy10@shentel.com
Sep 21-24	Lawrenceburg Tour 2017, Lawrenceburg, TN. Tennessee T's tour hosted by Blayne McCafferty and Hubert Garland. See detailed listing later in this newsletter.
Oct 4-7	Hershey fall swap meet, Hershey PA
Dec 2nd	TN T's Christmas party- Pin Oak Lodge, 567 Pin Oak Lodge Rd, Wildersville, TN 38388, Natchez Trace State Park
Mar 4-8, 2018	2018 Winter Tour, Honey-in-the-Hills, FL www.tinlizziefel.com

## On the mend

The Newsletter Editor is aware of two Tennessee T's members who have had surgery since the last edition. Listed alphabetically they are:  
**Tom Moorehead**, from Louisville, KY, had knee surgery and seems to be recuperating well, and  
**Gary Wheat**, from Tuscaloosa, AL, recently had back surgery, and also seems to be recuperating well.

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Thanks!

I would like to send a special thanks to my many friends in the Tennessee T's for all your prayers and beautiful cards during my Dad's sickness and death. All helped me so very much during this difficult time!

Love to you all!

Suzi Robinson

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**Planning a Model T tour? Contact Gary, our President, to see if the event date is open. If you don't plan a tour- then who will?**

### FOR SALE

1926 Fordor

New wheels and tires!

\$5700.00

Includes: Complete new interior matching original green pin striping! Five new white/wall tires on restored wire wheels! 11,000 miles on after market speedometer! Boxes and boxes of T parts and coils, coil tester and much more!

Stored in custom 18 foot enclosed car hauler made to accommodate height of Fordor! Trailer not being considered for sale because of it's cost and potential uses! Worth much more then the T! If there is any interest, please contact me after the T is sold!

If their are any questions, please let me know!

Best regards,

Keith & Penny Ellis

615-847-2308 cell

[keithcota@aol.com](mailto:keithcota@aol.com)

It is in my 18 foot car trailer!  
Will deliver if needed!

see photos below or email for more





**Photo From the Past** - L to R - Don and Marge Krull, Illinois (current members), and Wally Schneider, Florida.

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**FOR SALE**

- **24 Engine.** Bone Stock except for modern crank seal, kevlar bands, and replacement valve springs. Runs but may need connecting rods as original babbit may be failing.
  - **Small drum rear end** with Stolz adjustable pinion. Needs final set up. Have new bronze thrust washers that go with it.
  - **Front axle with pre-26 spindles.** Have bushings that go with it.
  - **Low Radiator 23 hood** - rough but useable.
  - **Replacement Radiator 17 - 23.** Does not leak but does not cool well.
  - **23 frame** that was cut and re-extended. - as running board irons on it.
- \$500 for the lot. OBO.**

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## FULL-TIME STUDENTS JOIN DUES-FREE

**Important notice, in case you missed it** in Anita's minutes of our latest business meeting. Gary made a motion that any full-time college student with an interest in Model Ts can join the Tennessee T's and their membership fees will be waived. The motion passed. We currently have two full-time students as members: Seth Stratlin and Blayne McCafferty.

So, if you have college age kids or grandkids actively attending college, then encourage them to become members and The Tennessee T's will pay their dues. Maybe they will stay.

### Old Southern Superstitions

1. If you kill frogs, your cows will go dry.
2. Tickling a baby will cause it to stutter.
3. Allowing a boy younger than 12 to drive a T Model will make him pigeon toed.

## BOOGER.. IN THE PAN!

Find something in your old car that is not supposed to be there? Let us all see your find!

**Here's how:**

Write a short article and tell our club members about what you found. **Send pictures to the editor.**  
[tennesseets@hotmail.com](mailto:tennesseets@hotmail.com)

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[New member application.. see our website](#)

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### NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Announce future tours, tour and event pictures, tech articles, cars for sale, cars to buy, forgotten or incorrect birthday or anniversary listing. Without input, there will be no newsletter. email [tennesseets@hotmail.com](mailto:tennesseets@hotmail.com)  
 \*Note\*: Please.... photos should include at least one Model T and/or one Tennessee T's member.

**Tennessee T's Lawrenceburg Tour- Tour hosts: Blayne McCafferty and Hubert Garland.**

**September 21-24, 2017-**

**Actual Tour days are Friday and Saturday, 22nd & 23rd**

Reviving one of Hubert Garland's Tours and jazzing up some of the routes.

We will be staying at the Richland Inn & Suites

2125 North Locust Avenue

Lawrenceburg, TN 38464

Phone: 931-762-0061

[www.richlandinnlawrenceburg.com](http://www.richlandinnlawrenceburg.com)

**NOTE: Our block of rooms will be held until September 7th. After that date by availability only.**

Rate: \$99 per night

Let them know you are with the Tennessee T's.

Check in 3:00pm

Check out 11:00am

Trailers can be parked on the gravel parking lot to the south of the building. If this fills up, they will allow us to park in the regular spaces provided there is not an overwhelming number of guests. There is also a business parking lot and grassy area north of the hotel they assumed we could use.

Arrive at Richland Inn on Thursday around 4. We will be touring Friday and Saturday. Depart Richland Inn on Sunday morning.

Some highlights of the tour are;

- Scenic drive through Amish country
- Visit the Old Jail Museum, as well as The Historic Downtown Lawrenceburg Square
- Tour of the Big Red Store (Retired post office, general store, WWII trading post, and coffin supply)
- And many more historic stops, beautiful drives, good food, and good times!

Please contact me by my email so that I may plan stops accordingly: [macblayne@gmail.com](mailto:macblayne@gmail.com)

or my Cell Phone: 256-710-6159



Images from  
past  
Lawrenceburg  
tours

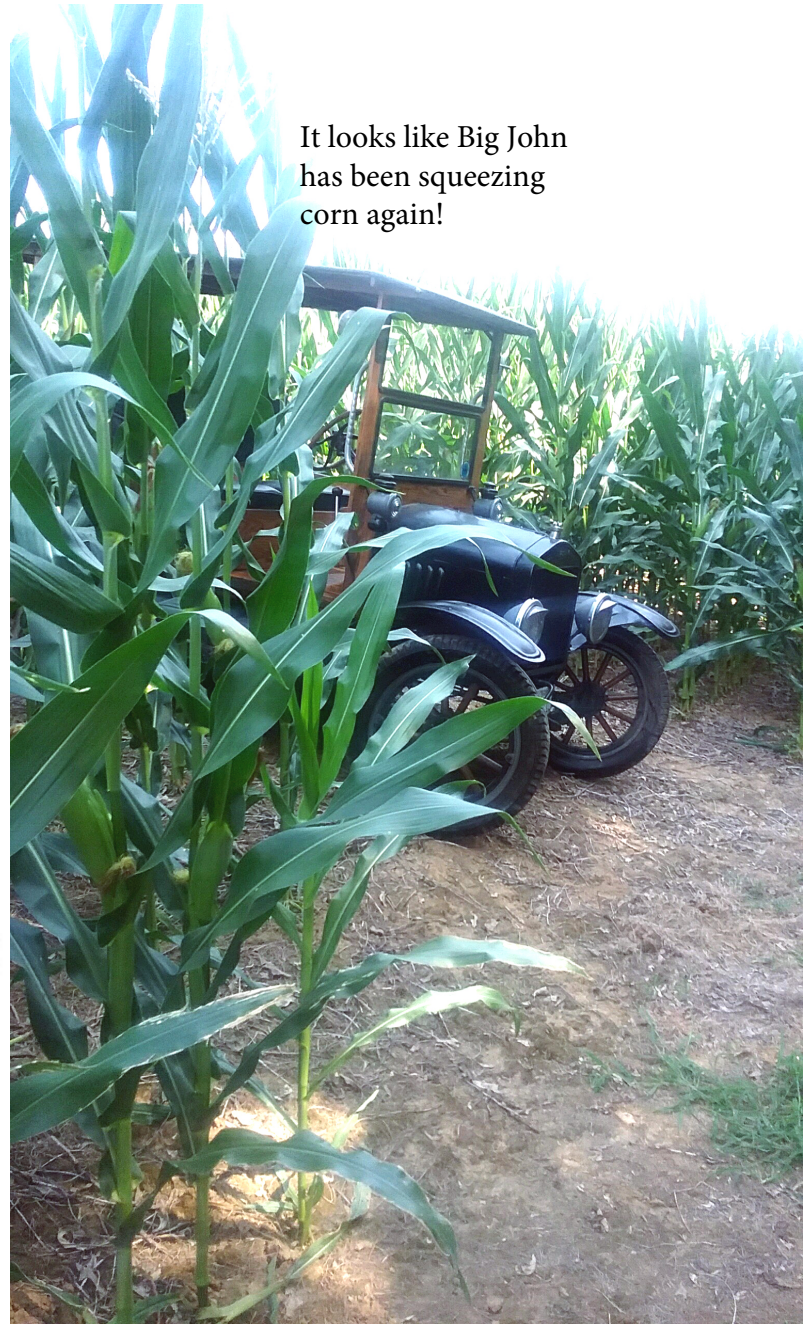




Does anyone recognize this lady? Here's a hint: She was an **inventor** during the early automobile days and one of her inventions is still in use on almost every car and truck on the road today.

In 1902 Mary Anderson invented the first windshield wiper.

Read more stories about "Women At The Wheel" at [Hagerty's website](#)



It looks like Big John has been squeezing corn again!

Pictured below is **Tim Moore, an author from Great Britain**, who is currently traveling Coast to Coast in a Model T. In mid-July, Seth Spratlin, David Walker, and Bill Robinson had the pleasure of navigating Tim around the South side of Huntsville while on his route through KY, TN, AL, MS on on to TX.



Photos taken at Graves Grocery, Laceys Spring, AL



Rollin'  
Rollin'  
Rollin'



# Shackle Bushing Replacement without removing the axle

by Ralph Williams

The bushings are usually what goes first and without proper  
<-- lube the shackle will be worn and in need of replacing  
also.



Photo 1



Photo 2

<---  
First you will need  
to remove the shackle to  
get to bushings. I  
just used a 3 ft  
piece of 2x4 to help  
get the shackle off.



Photo 3

<--- Use hammer to tap out while  
stepping on 2x4 to lift spring

Once the  
shackle is  
removed the  
bushing will  
need to be -->  
removed on  
spring and  
perch. A  
bushing removal  
tool makes this  
a pretty easy  
job.



Photo 4

Once the bushing has  
been removed on spring  
and perch use same tool  
to drive in new -->  
bushings. Make sure you  
line up holes for  
oilers.



Photo 5



Photo 6

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Now inserting the new shackle is a bit more challenging. I used the T jack a couple pieces scrap I had laying around and 2 rear crank shaft main bearing caps. Using the caps on either side of the axle allows the spring to be raised or lowered to get the shackle inserted.



Photo 7

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The new bushing when driven in sometimes will be tight and will need reaming a bit to get new shackle to be inserted. This needs to be a tight yet easily movable fit. To ream I used a 9/16 drill bit with 1/2 shank to run through it for proper fit.



Photo 8

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Some times bushing is so rusted it will have to cut out. You can get a hack saw to cut almost through and then use a small chisel to remove. Just be careful not to cut perch or spring just bushing.

Install shackle put in new oil -->  
filler caps and proceed to the other side.



Photo 9

**Note from the editor:**  
Special thanks to  
**Ralph Williams**  
for submitting this article

## Something they can't wait to fix

by Steve Shelton, Mulberry, TN

The T that I have is my favorite car  
Though I freely admit I don't drive it too far  
Into town now and then for a lap round the square  
Or park on the West side while they cut on my hair

I meet lot of folks who know T's or just look  
And I've learned so much from them I should write a book  
If older than me (I'm just 56) they assume I know nothing  
Something they can't wait to fix

"Those boxes in there, the 4 that you see..  
Well those are magnetos." (To which I say "Gee!")  
And "They all left the factory, black as the night"  
To which I reply "Well of course, you are right!"

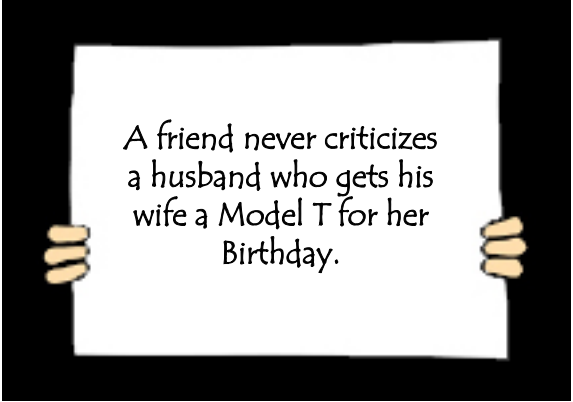
The young folks can't fathom that the spokes are real wood  
While someone always assumes they can lift up my hood.  
The pedals confuse folks and so does the throttle  
The spark is a mystery to all that do dawdle

The paint is now scratched, and stuff's getting dented  
Was stupid of me to make it look newly minted.  
I should have taken a hammer, put a dent in a fender  
And made it look like she would have if I wouldn't have mended her.

But the people are funny, and the T's fun to drive  
The "magnetos" buzzing make me feel so alive.

**Note from the  
editor:**  
Special thanks to  
**Steve  
Shelton**  
for submitting this  
article

Why is this space  
empty?  
Because you have  
been postponing the  
tour that you have  
been thinking about  
announcing.



A friend never criticizes  
a husband who gets his  
wife a Model T for her  
Birthday.



# Recipes

From our motor to yours

## Linda's Creamy Meatball Casserole



Submitted by:  
Linda Moorehead

Cooked by:  
Bill Robinson

Tasted By:  
Suzi, Brianna, Meagan, and Bill say  
"we give it a 5 car rating"



### Ingredients

- 1 10 3/4 ounce can condensed cream of mushroom soup or cream of onion soup
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1 20oz package refrigerated red-skinned potato wedges
- 1 16oz package (32) frozen cooked meatballs
- 1 16oz package frozen stir-fry vegetables (any combination)

### Directions:

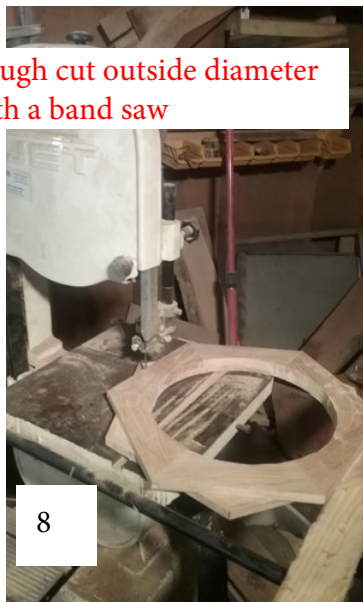
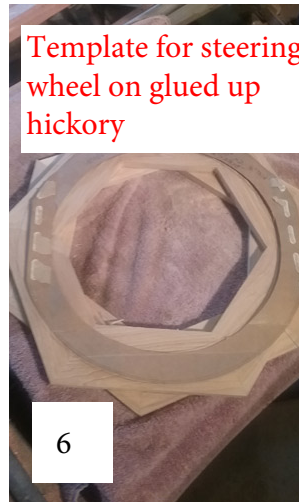
1. In a large bowl, combine soup, milk, sour cream, salt, and pepper. Stir in potatoes, meatballs, and frozen vegetables.
2. The bottom portion of your Manifold Cooker should have semi-crushed aluminum foil placed in it to fill some space. Then add water to the bottom portion of the cooker. Approx 1/2 cup.
3. Insert a cooking bag into the cooker.
4. Add recipe ingredients into the bag. With careful insertion, the ingredients should fill the cooker. Fold the bag and seal off the ingredients. Goal...You don't want the water entering the recipe, and you don't want the recipe leaking out of the bag.
5. Mount the Manifold Cooker on the engine and drive 54.7 miles.



**Note from the editor:**  
Special thanks to  
**Linda Moorehead**  
for submitting this  
article

# Steering Wheels by BIG JOHN

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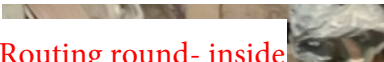
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Routing round- inside



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Inside has been rounded



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Outside has been rounded



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All round waiting for stain



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Stained waiting for finished- customer would like a satin poly finish and they said they would drill the holes and provide the screws for the spider



Note from the editor:  
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