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GET THOSE CARS READY, IT'S SPRING!!!!



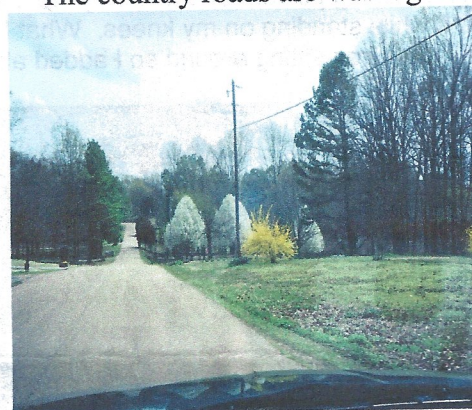
The buttercups are blooming!



The country roads are waiting!



The road is calling!



Time to head out in a T!

UPCOMING SPRING TOUR

Sponsored by: Charlie and Jana Swann & Jerry and Diane Waller

When: Friday night, May 4th and Saturday, May 5th

Where: Henry Horton State Park

What: Barbecue Dinner on Friday night

Drive on Saturday

For rooms call: Henry Horton State Park, 1-800-250-8612

Please make sure to RSVP to Charlie and Jana at: 931-294-2033 or Cell 615-202-0369 or EMAIL:
CSSWANN@UNITED.NET (need this to have enough food) Ten rooms are blocked, call soon.

WORKS IN PROGRESS:

Submitted by Daryl Carter:

The project for this month is raising a new metal shop to work on & store the old cars. Hope to have it finished by the end of March.



I don't have much else, but maybe some words on how to adapt a hydraulic press for use on a Model T rear end. It started out as a 20 ton shop press (on sale) from Harbor Freight.

It had enough pressing power but it was way too short (it was 60" to the top of the press). I could put it on a stand or use it while standing on my knees. What I really needed it for was to press the collar off a drive shaft. I had some 2" angle iron sitting around so I added about 22 1/2" to each side, enough to fit the drive shaft in it.

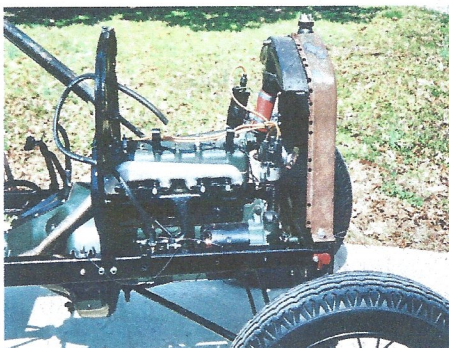


While adding greatly to the ugly factor, it was a lot easier to use.

The next problem arose when I tried to replace the emergency brake bushings in the 1926-7 rear axle housing. The original cross piece was too wide and I couldn't get the axle housing close enough to press out the bushing. I had to build a narrower cross piece to get it to work. I guess I could have cut a notch in the original cross piece instead of making a new one but I didn't think of that until now.

The next modification involved drilling another set of holes to get the cross piece low enough to allow pressing the gears up far enough to remove the retaining clips and back onto the new rear axle shafts. Fortunately, I didn't have to press the collar back onto the drive shaft (I used a newer style bearing), but if I had, I would have had to add a "C" shaped piece of steel along the bottom of the press to hold the drive shaft. A press is a very

handy piece of equipment and I highly recommend getting one if you have the space to put it, even if you have to modify it to make it more useful.



Ralph Williams is still working on his speedster.

Also, Linda and Bill Eden did let me know that they have replaced the engine in their coupe and they will be testing it out when they attend the Henry Horton tour in May.

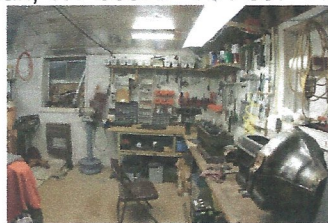
Gary Tillstrom and Ralph Williams are still in the process of helping Bill Butner restore his grandfather's 1922 Touring Car.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

It always is refreshing to know that the members of our T-club will help others who are interested in becoming a T enthusiast:

Ken Swan recently sent Ralph a note regarding the relationship he has spun with our new member Keith Barrier. According to Ken, they recently spent a nice day taking Ken and Joyce's camper for a 20-mile spin. Ken let Keith drive for about 8 or 9 miles on a safe stretch of US 45. At this time, he had only driven his own car down to the end of the block that he lives on and Ken said that Keith was excited and did very well. He stated that Keith had been working on his Tudor sedan and that he was making good progress. He had cleaned the block, straightened up the pan with the communal pan straightening jig and was going to replace some magneto clamp bolts since they were bent. He noted that Keith's transmission seemed to be in good shape but would need some bands. Ken said that he would help Keith install a hogshead mounted oil line. They would also make an attachment to his low speed pedal so as to be ready for RM brakes when his budget allowed. Ken must have given him a good impression of our club because we now have Keith and Carol Barrier as our newest members.

Keith and Carol Barrier 306 Plainview Drive Savannah, TN 38372 731-607-4498



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Tommy Kuntz	4 th
Gloria Hall	10 th
Gary Tillstrom	10 th
Charles Wagner	15 th
Max Larson	18 th
Ann Carter	23 rd
Bud Scudder	28 th

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Waldo & Sharon Emerson	3 rd
Julian & Jane Sides	16 th
Bryand & Kathe Nelson	28 th

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Judy Markey	1 st
Penny Ellis	1 st
John Olgrogge	3 rd
Jim Wade	8 th
Sharon Emerson	10 th
Larry Williams	18 th
Glenn Storck	19 th
Ernestine Flowers	20 th
Jerrie Hiner	23 rd
Katherine Easley	23 rd
Stevie Wyatt	28 th
Carolyn Williams	29 th
Sue Cook	31 st
Elizabeth Monteith	31 st

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Larry & Margaret Harris	6 th
Tony & Brenda Vershoore	23 rd

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Lynn Cook	2 nd
George Ross	4 th
Willis Hampton	4 th
Dewey Asher	7 th
Bryan Nelson	8 th
Kathe Nelson	8 th
Larry Harris	11 th
Linda Eden	12 th
Barbara Mabry	18 th
Mac Flowers	21 st
Donna Wade	25 th

Monty Monteith	25 th
Ann Corlew	26 th
Martin Alexander	29 th
Pat Asher	30 th

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Tony & Yvonne Cook	12 th
Lee & Barbara Mabry	12 th
Nick & Connie Nicholas	23 rd
William & Pat Johnson	28 th
Charles & Barbara Wagner	28 th

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Betty Vanbruggen	1 st
Ginny Scudder	8 th
Mary Helen Meadows	9 th
Mark Dote	15 th
Pat Johnson	20 th
Frances Curtis	23 rd
Betty Jack	27 th
Charles Corlew	29 th
Jerry Waller	30 th
Bill Markey	31 st

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Glenn and & JoAnn Weakley	3 rd
Glenn Storck/Susan Harrington	6 th
Larry & Carolyn Williams	19 th
Harvey & Karen Decker	30 th

HUMOR:

A man and his wife, now in their 60's, were celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary. On their special day a good fairy came to them and said that because they had been so good that each one of them could have one wish.

The wife wished for a trip around the world with her husband.

Whoosh! Immediately she had airline/cruise tickets in her hands.

The man wished for a female companion 30 years younger...

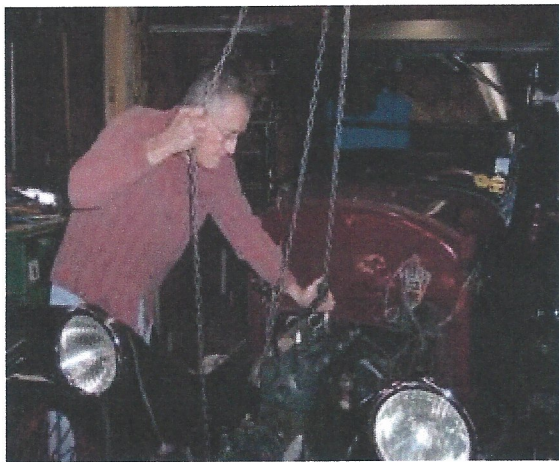
Whoosh...immediately he turned ninety!!!

Gotta love that fairy!

FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK:

Spring must be right around the corner because many winter projects are complete and Model T's are ready to shake, rattle and roll.

After much blood and sweat there is a new engine in the Roadster at the Williams house. We are hoping for some nice days to put a few miles on it before the Henry Horton Tour.



Lynn Cook has been busy this winter rebuilding generators and rewinding field coils. This past weekend he assisted Tony in putting together a Ruckstell rear end for the car he is restoring.

This winter Bob Harris spent some time working on a friend's car. The car has been in his friend's family for years and Bob talked him into putting together an article on the history of the car for a future newsletter.

A 1924 Roadster has found a new home with Ken and Betty Jack. Ken and Betty bring that little jewel to Henry Horton and show her off!!!!

Heard by way of the grapevine that Jerry Waller's car is running like a top and Gary Curtis is making some minor adjustments to his.

In February, Carolyn and I decided to escape the cold for a few days so we headed to FL with a detour over to Hilton Head. On the way through AL to stopped in Sylacauga and had lunch with Tennessee T's member Stevie Wyatt. When we called guess what he was doing. Working on Model T parts! Imagine that. We enjoyed meeting and spending time with Stevie. He has lived in Sylacauga all his life and is very involved with the scouts, civic organizations, and works in the banking business. He says he does banking the old fashioned way, by knowing his customer and with a handshake. Stevie will be with us on the Trace this year if all goes well.



While we were in Hilton Head we took a drive up to Ridgeland, SC to visit with two more Tennessee T's members, Glenn Storck and Susan Harrington. Glenn and Susan have built a new home and a new shop in Ridgeland. Both were beautiful and

guess which we toured first. They have been busy restoring "Baby Blue" and the new pickup. Both look great. When we were there Susan and Glenn were preparing for a weeklong tour in FL.



It looks as if you better not get close to the truck with this "guard dog" on the job. Susan and Glenn are very involved in their community and in the SC Model T Club. Susan is editor of their newsletter.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Henry Horton in May. If you have not already done so make plans to attend.

Larry

CAR FOR SALE

Lee Mabry is now living in Lenoir City and is thinking of selling his 1927 Coupe. Lee says the car is in good condition and he believes it was built in Memphis. He has some history of the car. If you are interested give Lee a call at: 865-986-4868.

INTERESTING INFO:



A friend of Lynn Cooks sent him this picture a few days ago. When we went to Nova Scotia in the T's we were close to this bridge but did not cross it. Too late now!