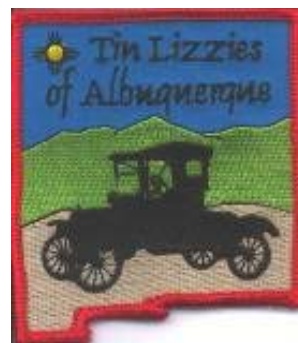


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**We Welcome New Members!!**

**Our newest member is Jeff Richards. He is Vernon Armstrong's neighbor, & has already driven a T & attended a work party!**

We invite you to join us at our meetings, breakfasts, & other events. Keep the newsletter handy to make sure you don't miss out on anything!! Welcome, Jeff!

***Hospitality Corner***

*by Bernice Young*

**In March, a sympathy card was sent to Dennis Gorder, our National President, due to the passing of his Father.**

**If you know of anyone who is ill, or needs a note of cheer, contact Bernice at modeltdoctor@centurylink.net, or 294-7450.**

**Club Dues are Due!!**

Don't forget to pay your 2014 Club Dues!! Just \$12 for the year for an individual, & \$15 for the year for the family membership.

## President's Corner

Spring is upon us and it's time to get our cars ready for our touring activities. We had a very active March with a good turnout at the 66 Diner, followed up by a fun car show at Rich Ford which was highlighted with race car rides. We will have several work days in April and have plans for a kids work day, also. Don't forget to make plans for Orlando's **Road to Neon** in Tucumcari! It promises to be a fun tour.

Our grandson, Cole, was here for a week during Spring break and traveled with us to the Chickasha Swap Meet. We got his Ruckstell rear end finished and ready to install in the frame. He is now an expert in disassembly/assembly of rear ends as we had to pull it apart and back together again about 25 times to get everything adjusted properly!

Remember you are always welcome to bring along kids/grandkids to work days. We can always find some good projects for them to work on.

Larry

### T'n Vittles at the Vineyard

Our yearly breakfast at the Vineyard will take place June 7, & is hosted by Betty Housholder.

Bring your Model T, & have a wonderful breakfast of biscuits, gravy, & scrambled eggs, prepared by residents of the Vineyard at a very affordable cost. We will then tour around the area, giving residents rides in our T's, if they like.

We always have a wonderful time, so plan on attending this event!

RSVP in April so Betty will have a head count.

Call Betty 345-1329 if you have questions.

## Three Months at a Glance

**April 12...T'n Vittles...see pg 5**

**April 19...Work Day at the Azevedo's**

**April 24... Monthly meeting at the Vineyard...see pg 5**

**April 26...Youth Work Day at the Azevedo's..will work on Betty Housholder's car for the Tour**

**May 1st thru 4th...The Road to Neon Tour in Tucumcari, NM, hosted by the Ortega's. See pages 10 & 11**

**May 10...T'n Vittles...see pg 5**

**May 18... Museum Car/NMCCC 30th Annual Car Show ..check with John Hayne 294-4434**

**May 22...Monthly meeting at the Vineyard..pg 5**

**June 7...T'n Vittles at the Vineyard..(see below)**

**June 26...Monthly meeting at the Vineyard..pg 5**

### Horseless Carriage Club of America (HCCA) Seeks New Members!

By Mark Wing & Mistee Thomson

The Albuquerque chapter of the HCCA is seeking new members.

This club specializes in the preservation, restoration, education, & enjoyment of brass-era cars built up to January 1916. You don't need to have a pre-1916 car to join - just an interest in these early cars!

The club meets at Ortega's Mexican Restaurant, 3617 Wyoming Blvd NE, Albuquerque, on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm. It's fun to get together, enjoy good food, and talk about antique cars!

More information, contact Mistee Thomson at 505-877-9181 or Bill Scorah at 505-856-7488.  
<https://www.hcca.org/>



*HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!*

*April*

*4/4 Bernice Young*

*4/4 Steve Suttle*

*4/5 Tom Miles*

*4/8 Helen Turner*

*4/9 Ruth Johnson*

*4/9 Gerald Hash*

*4/13 Kenneth Rowland*

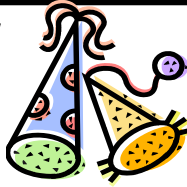
*4/14 Robert Jackson*

*4/16 Lorna Azevedo*

*4/18 Mollie Cunningham*

*4/28 Ethan Ortega*

*4/29 Ralph Johnson*



*HAPPY ANNIVERSARY*

*April*

*4/26 Herbert & Pat Padgett*

### Tin Lizzie Library

We have many books, & other media ready to check out from our library.

Mark Dominguez, our Club Librarian, has compiled a list of everything we have & you can access that list on our website, [www.tinlizziesofabq.com](http://www.tinlizziesofabq.com), or contact Mark at 899-5628.

### Chickasha Swap Meet, March 19-21

8 Tin Lizzies headed for Oklahoma on Mar 19 for the Swap Meet. We enjoyed beautiful weather & most everyone came back with a few treasures! Lorna & Larry, Fran Gurule, & Cole Wedekind had a booth, made lots of new friends, & found parts for Cole's 1927 T that he & Larry are in the process of restoring. Pat & Vern Willan had their "mansion" motor home, & we enjoyed a very fun evening meal together. Susan & Kirk Peterson also made the trip...(another trip? You're killing me!!!) Here's a few photos of us enjoying the Willan's motor home. So many pieces of rust, so little time!!



If you would like to sponsor a breakfast, or bring snacks to one of our meetings, call Linda Riel @ 459-5897, or email lmrlu-lubell@juno.com. **Those signed up, please contact Linda ASAP when you've chosen the location! The following dates are subject to change! Breakfasts usually start at 800AM, but please check for any changes!!**

### *Meeting Refreshments 2014*

Date	Provided By	Provided By	
<b>Jan 23, 2014</b>	Larry & Lorna Azevedo	Kirk & Susan Peterson	Thank You!
<b>Feb 20, 2014</b>	Betty Housholder	Julie Dilts	Thank You!
<b>Mar 27, 2014</b>	Mark & Susan Wing	Surprise for Tom Miles' 70th Birthday!!!	Thank You!
<b>Apr 24, 2014</b>	Tom & Cathy Miles	Don & Barbara Souther	
<b>May 22, 2014</b>	Mark & Sharon Dominguez		
<b>June 26, 2014</b>	Gerald Hash		
<b>July 24, 2014</b>	Fran Gurule		
<b>Aug 28, 2014</b>	Ice Cream Social	Ice Cream Social	
<b>Sep 25, 2014</b>	Kirk & Susan Peterson	Stan & Janice Gauna	
<b>Oct 23, 2014</b>	Bill & Donna Hansen		
<b>Nov 21, 2014</b>	Guys With Pies	Guys With Pies (one wk early due to Thanksgiving)	
<b>Dec, 2014</b>	No Meeting	No Meeting	



### *T'n Vittles 2014*

Date	Hosted By	Place	
<b>Jan 11, 2014</b>	Don & Barbara Mitchell	I Hop @ 8100 Wyoming NE & Paseo	Thank You!
<b>Feb 8, 2014</b>	Dave & Ann Merewether	Mimi's Café. 4316 The 25 Way NE	Thank You!
<b>Mar 8, 2014</b>	Bob & Robbi Ross	'66 Diner@ 1405 Central NE	Thank You!
<b>Apr 12, 2014</b>	Tom & Cathy Miles	Vic's Daily Café @3600 Osuna Rd NE, (just W of Calvary of Alb & E of Chappell Rd., 8 AM	
<b>May 10, 2014</b>	Neil & Mary Ann O'Brien	The Saucy Italian Bistro, 2912 Juan Tabo NE (Juan Tabo & Candelaria) ***** <b>Note: Start time is 9:00 AM!!</b> *****	
<b>June 7, 2014</b>	Betty Housholder	The Vineyard (our meeting place)	
<b>July 12, 2014</b>	TBA		
<b>Aug 9, 2014</b>	TBA		
<b>Sept 13, 2014</b>	Russell & Julie Dilts	Daily Grind @ 4360 Cutler NE, Ste C (Menaul & Washington/ San Mateo, just S of I/40.	
<b>Oct 11, 2014</b>	TBA		
<b>Nov 9, 2014</b>	Stan & Janice Gauna		
<b>Dec, 2014</b>	No Breakfast	No Breakfast	

## TIN LIZZIES CLUB MEETING

March 27, 2014

The regular meeting of the Albuquerque Tin Lizzies was called to order by President Larry Azevedo who then led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Tom Miles daughter Kathy was introduced as a guest. Guest Jeff Richards became a new member. Out of town members in attendance were Vern Harvey from T or C and Orlando Ortega from Portales.

Minutes of the last meeting as published in the newsletter were approved. Larry Azevedo gave the Treasurer's Report in the absence of Julie Dilts. A reminder was given that dues are overdue!! Correspondence since the last meeting was reported. Two complimentary cards with donations to the club from Robert Sieglitz were read. A revised membership list was passed around for corrections or additions.

Standing committee reports were given. John Hayne reported on scheduled events of the Albuquerque Car Council and with concerns of that group over the requirements and cost of proposed changes by the AG to the sale of used vehicles of all kinds. Kirk Peterson is still keeping all informed with his e-mailings; Linda Riel will call anyone with reminders; Lorna Azevedo requests all information for the newsletter be received by Saturday, March 29 to be included in the coming publication; Mark Wing reports updates and a surge in visits to the website; Bernice Young sent a card to the MTFCA on death of Ben Yumori; Mark Dominguez reported that a list of all library materials was posted to the website; Quartermaster Larry Azevedo reported that the parts inventory was complete again and that Vern had donated 4 T rear end pins to the inventory; Historian Marilyn Duncan reported that she is working with a committee headed by Betty Householder to prepare a program featuring the 1980's; Linda Riel needs more volunteers for meeting refreshments and T N' V breakfasts;

Tom Miles gave a report on the MTFCA meeting. Official minutes have been published. Membership is down, but the organization is in good shape financially. Tin Lizzie members was the largest group in attendance. The museum is progressing with new additions and events. Betty Housholder reported that the Cruise was wonderful, warm and relaxing with 18 Albuquerque attendees, one from Germany, and Henry Ford from El Paso.

Bob Ross reported that about 37 people and 3 cars were in attendance at the TN'V held March 8 at the Route 66 Diner. The next T N' V breakfast will be May 11 at Vic's Daily Cafe, hosted by Tom Miles.

Fourteen cars made it to Rich Ford for display on March 15 as reported by Linda Riel. Rich Ford made a generous donation to the club in appreciation.

Orlando gave an update on the preparations for the Road to Neon Tour in Tucumcari. Tucumcari businesses and residents are excited to host this event. Details are in the Newsletter. There will be 3 work days – Saturday, March 29; Saturday April 19; Saturday, April 26 (also youth work day to work on Betty Householder's car)--before the tour so all cars can be ready to roll.

A \$50.00 donation will be made to the MTFCA in memory of Dean Van Doren and Dick Hutchins. A motion was made, seconded and passed by the members that a \$50.00 donation also be made in memory of Rossi Morris, a long-time previous member.

Mark Wing invited Model T Owners to join the Horseless Carriage Tour April 19 Tom Miles presented a trophy to Lorna Azevedo and Robbi Ross, awarded by the MTFCA for the BEST NEWSLETTER for the 2nd time in the past 5 yrs. Congratulations for a job WELL DONE.

Delicious refreshments provided by Mark and Susan Wing were enjoyed by all. Kathy provided a birthday cake for her father, Tom Miles. Tom and Bernice Young enjoy birthdays in April. Raffle was held for this month's prizes. Linda Riel is reordering "T" shirts and caps. Get your order in.

Gerald Hash had a video presentation of the Great American Race held June 1991 in which Rossi Morris participated.

The meeting was adjourned.

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## March Donations

**In March we had 2 very generous donations to our Club! We'd like to thank Dennis Snyder from Rich Ford for the donation he gave to us for bringing our T's to the dealership on 3/15.**

**We also greatly appreciate the donations made by Robert Sieglitz, to show his appreciation for help that the Tin Lizzies provided to him.**

**Our Club thanks these individuals for these very generous donations, & a story about Robert Sieglitz will appear in an upcoming newsletter.**

## March 8th T'n Vittles at the '66 Diner

We had a great turnout at the March T'n Vittles. Robbi & Bob Ross hosted the event. We had 37 people & 3 cars in attendance, & enjoyed a delicious breakfast. Here are a few photos of the event!



## Rich Ford Anniversary Car Show, March 15

It certainly wasn't the most beautiful day to drive the T's around Albuquerque! It started with heavy fog on the W side, & ended up sunny, but very windy & quite chilly as the day progressed.

The weather did not put a damper on the spirits of the Tin Lizzies who attended. We were very happy to have 14 T's show up for the day. There was an interesting little racing oval in the parking lot where Mustang race cars were giving heart pounding rides. Several of our members were brave enough to become passengers as the cars whizzed around the track & did some "drifting" as they went. Ken Carpenter showed up a little late because he thought we were going to Rich Ford in Edgewood and drove all the way out there! He is now known as Ken 'Rich Ford-Which Ford?' Carpenter. A big "Thank You" to Skip Dunn for giving lots of rides around the dealership!



Here's a few photos of the event:

<<< Linda and Betty ready to go!

Our cars>



Sean Guthrie getting driving lessons. <<<

Jim Guthrie taking the Faultless for a spin. >>>



Our cars

Dennis Snyder driving the Faultless. >>>>>

Jim and Sean giving rides. V





*The New Yorker*, May 16, 1936 (Submitted by Steve Suttle)

## **Farewell, My Lovely**

by E. B. White

I see by the new Sears Roebuck catalogue that it is still possible to buy an axle for a 1909 Model T Ford, but I am not deceived. The great days have faded, the end is in sight. Only one page in the current catalogue is devoted to parts and accessories for the Model T; yet everyone remembers spring times when the Ford gadget section was larger than men's clothing, almost as large as household furnishings. The last Model T was built in 1927, and the car is fading from what scholars call the American scene—which is an understatement, because to a few million people who grew up with it, the old Ford practically *was* the American scene.

It was the miracle God had wrought. And it was patently the sort of thing that could only happen once. Mechanically uncanny, it was like nothing that had ever come to the world before. Flourishing industries rose and fell with it. As a vehicle, it was hard-working, commonplace, heroic; and it often seemed to transmit those qualities to the persons who rode in it. My own generation identifies it with Youth, with its gaudy, irretrievable excitements; before it fades into the mist, I would like to pay it the tribute of the sigh that is not a sob, and set down random entries in a shape somewhat less cumbersome than a Sears Roebuck catalogue.

The Model T was distinguished from all other makes of cars by the fact that its transmission was of a type known as planetary—which was half metaphysics, half sheer friction. Engineers accepted the word “planetary” in its epicyclic sense, but I was always conscious that it also meant “wandering,” “erratic.” Because of the peculiar nature of this planetary element, there was always, in Model T, a certain dull rapport between engine and wheels, and even when the car was in a state known as neutral, it trembled with a deep imperative and tended to inch forward. There was never a moment when the bands were not faintly egging the machine on. In this respect it was like a horse, rolling the bit on its tongue, and country people brought to it the same technique they used with draft animals.

Its most remarkable quality was its rate of acceleration. In its palmy days the Model T could take off faster than anything on the road. The reason was simple. To get under way, you simply hooked the third finger of the right hand around a lever on the steering column, pulled down hard, and shoved your left foot forcibly against the low-speed pedal. These were simple, positive motions; the car responded by lunging forward with a roar. After a few seconds of this turmoil, you took your toe off the pedal, eased up a mite on the throttle, and the car, possessed of only two forward speeds, catapulted directly into high with a series of ugly jerks and was off on its glorious errand. The abruptness of this departure was never equalled in other cars of the period. The human leg was (and still is) incapable of letting in a clutch with anything like the forthright abandon that used to send Model T on its way. Letting in a clutch is a negative, hesitant motion, depending on delicate nervous control; pushing down the Ford pedal was a simple, country motion—an expansive act, which came as natural as kicking an old door to make it budge.

The driver of the old Model T was a man enthroned. The car, with top up, stood seven feet high. The driver sat on top of the gas tank, brooding it with his own body. When he wanted gasoline, he alighted, along with everything else in the front seat; the seat was pulled off, the metal cap unscrewed, and a wooden stick thrust down to sound the liquid in the well. There were always a couple of these sounding sticks kicking around in the ratty sub-cushion regions of a flivver. Refuelling was more of a social function then, because the driver had to unbend, whether he wanted to or not. Directly in front of the driver was the windshield—high, uncompromisingly erect. Nobody talked about air resistance, and the four cylinders pushed the car through the atmosphere with a simple disregard of physical law.

To be continued next month .....



## *The Road to Neon Tour*

**Tucumcari Tonight!**

**MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> - 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2014**



***We're counting the days!*** The Road to Neon Tour is right around

the corner and now's the time to get ready for this exciting excursion! We'll be embarking on a Route 66 experience that will take us back a few decades to open roads, motels, neon lights, and diners.

***Road Touring*** This tour gives us an opportunity to enjoy some nice stretches of low traffic, well paved, road touring that includes a drive on Friday through the mesa lands of Eastern New Mexico and on old Route 66 on Saturday. Each drive averages about 35 miles one way to our destinations.

### ***A WPA Landmark***

Friday's drive takes us to Conchas Dam and Lake. The group will be treated to a personal tour of the dam, a WPA project constructed by the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, completed in 1939. The tour takes us into the dam where we get a firsthand look at its engineering, construction, and operation. After the tour, we'll have a nice, comfortable picnic lunch at the outdoor picnic grounds. The day also includes other activities such as a visit to the Mesa Lands Dinosaur Museum, shopping, and relaxing.

### ***Get your kicks on Route 66***

On Saturday morning, we've been invited to have breakfast hosted by a downtown antique business owner. After breakfast, we'll take Route 66 east to Russell's Travel Center. This Travel Center is interesting and unique as it offers an auto and memorabilia museum. We'll see a wonderful collection of gas station and Coca Cola memorabilia among many other collectibles. Of course, we'll have worked up an appetite after our drive and visit of the museum. The Route 66 diner will take care of any hunger we may have. Maybe a nice cheeseburger and fries, a blue plate special, and milkshake, or a banana split! After lunch, we'll drive west on old Route 66 back to Tucumcari. The afternoon offers us a chance to explore the antique shops for both the guys and gals! After our busy day, we can head back to our motels for some relaxation and freshen up for a grand finale tour dinner! The special for the evening is prime rib, but you can order anything on the menu. *See you there!* *See Itinerary on page 11.....*

## For Sale & Want Ads

**Wanted:** Model A chassis-complete or....any year considered. Call Vaughn 505-410-7492.

**Wanted:** Jeff Miller wants a horn & carbide generator for 1914 Touring Call Jeff 505-730-2608

**Wanted:** Pair 1918 Front fenders. Contact David Ferro. Cell: 850-508-7778.

**For Sale:** 1923 Coupe, 1925 (1926?) TT closed cab flatbed truck. See Vaughn for details 505-410-7492.

**For Sale:** 1926 Tudor, very original. Contact Ted Harris. Home: 505-293-1640, cell: 505-249-3458.

**For Sale:** 8 leaf front spring \$55, Pair rear radius rods 26/27 \$75, coil ring for rebuild \$35, starters, generators \$108. Call John Hayne 294-4434.

**For Sale:** Montey Pounds has for sale: 1916 Touring, brass \$14,000, 1924 Depot hack \$8,000, 1926 Roadster with Ruckstell \$8,000, 1922 Speedster \$4,500, 1929 Model A Roadster \$12,000. Call 575-799-3533 or 575-584-2892.

**For Sale:** 1926 Touring- Was running about 1 yr ago. Has tires, wheels, radiator & etc. Needs new home, & someone to finish restoration. Roswell owner passed away & family would like to sell. The contact saw us on the PBS documentary of the Portales Tour & thought someone in our Club might be interested>>>>>>Contact Rory McMinn Ofc: 575-622-3770 X307, or cell: 575-626-7100

### Itinerary of the Tucumcari Tour (continued from page 10)

**Thursday:** Club Reception at Safari Motel on their patio around 4:30P or 5:00P  
You can take in the Mural Tour, Photo Museum, Chamber of Commerce Welcome...( more info to come.)

**Friday:** Breakfast at local diners  
Tour of Conchas Dam and lake by the Army Corp of Engineers  
Picnic Lunch at the lake. Plan on \$10 for lunch provided by a local vendor.  
Tour of Mesa Lands Museum  
Visit Antique Shops  
Dinner in town on your own (a restaurant list will be provided)  
Neon Light Tour (Photo Op with vintage neon signs)

**Saturday:** Breakfast at "La Tiendita" hosted by owner of Antique shop..no cost, but we'll have a tip jar!  
Drive the Historic Route 66 to Russell's Travel Center  
Tour Auto Museum at Travel Center  
Lunch at Route 66 Diner  
Antique Shopping in Tucumcari  
Club Tour banquet Dinner...Del's Restaurant-order from the menu..special is Prime Rib

**Sunday:** Breakfast at local diners  
Depart for home



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### **ATTENTION:**

The Tin Lizzies  
will meet at  
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6118 Edith Blvd NW  
7:00 PM on the  
4th Thursday  
of each month,  
unless otherwise noted.  
**Next meeting is Apr 24,  
2014**

**COME JOIN**

**THE FUN !**

