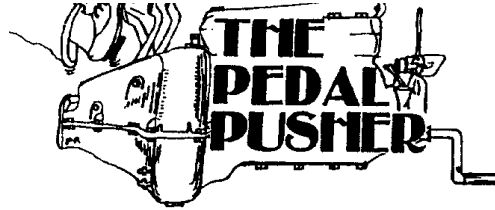
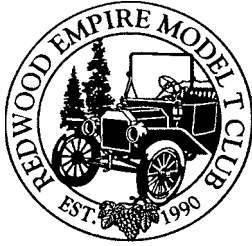


# Newsletter For The Redwood Empire Model T Club



*REMTC Meeting — Thursday, December 1st*  
*Christmas Party — Saturday, December 10th*  
*Merry Christmas — December 25th*





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**Webmaster .....Steve Vining**

A big thanks to all the officers who volunteered their time to make our 21st year as a Model T Club successful. Congratulations to the officers who agreed to serve another year and, to the new officers for 2012.

*New Officers for 2012*

President	Chris Rich
Vice President	Steve Vining
Secretary	Linda Mori
Treasurer	Ted Shimkowski
Tour Director	Larry Summerfield
Newsletter Editor	Ginny & Pete Rich
Club Historian	Jeann Nelson
Sunshine Person	Robin Summerfield
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## ***President's Message***

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December is here and time for my last President's Message of the year. I have skipped out on the President's Message a couple times and Ginny has covered for me, but I felt that I needed to do this one.

First, thanks to all the people who gave their time this year hosting tours, holding office and just plain making everything run. I especially want to thank Ginny for all the work she puts in to keep the newsletter going and all the little administrative things that add up. I also want to give a big thanks to Larry and Robin Summerfield. In addition to the overnigher they hosted, they also served as Tour Chairman and Sunshine Lady.

So as the year draws to an end I hand over the mantle of President to Chris Rich. Chris has served as President twice before and we are in capable hands.

Happy holiday to one and all, see ya on tour next year, *Andy*

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## **WHEEL SAFETY**

This article appeared in the Model T Times Nov/Dec issue. It is an opinion piece by Steve Ellis. I thought it was important enough to consider his 4 points.

1. Too Many times I have seen people improve their engines, transmissions, rear ends, and brakes to cruise at high speeds. But, at what increased risk? Some people install seat belts for safety, but will the steering gear, suspension, and handling qualities really allow us to travel at higher speeds safely? I say NO!
2. Clincher tires/rims are safe if the bead is well seated in a proper rim and the tire is fully inflated! We must be vigilant in inspecting our rims and maintaining 55-60 psi. We should check them often.
3. We must slow down, particular for turns. Old cars have a very high center of gravity and lean a lot. This puts extreme pressure on the "outside" tires....in particular the front tires. Front tires that are under inflated may literally roll off the rim in a sharp turn.
4. Artillery style wheels with wood spokes have poor strength from the side, so side loading should be avoided. Check those wood spokes and do not drive with loose spokes. Take all the turns far slower than a modern car.

Be safe so we can enjoy each other and tour together for a long, long time. Model T's are fun to drive, historically significant, and overall a joy, but our speed should not exceed 30-35 mph routinely. I think Henry would agree.

Ed's note:

This article was prompted by a serious accident on the International tour in Minnesota. A front tire came off a clincher rim and the car rolled. The details may never be complete but should be a wake-up call.

## ***RCMTC General Meetings for 2011***

Last meeting of the year, Thursday, December 1st at Round Table Pizza at Marlow shopping center

### ***2012 Tours and Events***

March 2012, **Safety Check and potluck barbecue** — date to be announced.

April 13th & 14th — **Bakersfield Swap Meet**. Note: This is a date change from originally scheduled. Info: Greg Rimmer, 661-325-2840 or 661-619-9032, johnrimmer@sbcglobal.net

April 21st. — **Apple Blossom Parade in Sebastopol**. Will need 6 or more T's to escort ladies in vintage dress to celebrate 100th anniversary of Chapter AJ, P.E.O., a philanthropic education organization.

Our Tour Chairman, Larry Summerfield will be asking for tour hosts for the 2012 year. Please give him a call or email if you are planning to host a tour, with the date. Any other special events will also be listed here so the members can plan their year

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### ***For Sale***

Four running boards. Fits Model T's 1913-1925. \$5 each.  
Call Bob Silzle at 707-544-7069 after 10:00am.

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**T**here were many tools made to do one job, and do it well for Model T repair and maintenance. Here's one made by Stevens Tool Co. to assist the owner when they want to remove the rear axle roller bearing for greasing or replacement. The little tab hooks under the roller bearing cage and then the screw will jack the bearing out for removal. Neat!!



**Special  
“T”  
Parts**

# Redwood Empire Model T Club Christmas Party

*Saturday, December 10th*



Where: Quail Inn at Oakmont

7035 Oakmont Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409

Time: 6-10 p.m.

No host bar at 6:00 p.m. Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

The reduced member price is \$30, nonmember price is \$38. Dinner includes spinach salad with walnuts and pears, bread, entrée, dessert, coffee or tea, tax and tip. Please choose your entrée below and specify who it is for. ***Send your check made payable to REMTC to Fran Faraudo, PO Box 35, Fulton, CA, 95439 and include tear-off from below.*** Email Fern at: [fernie@sonic.net](mailto:fernie@sonic.net) or call 707-579-2312 if you have any questions.

*Dale McCoy will once again donate red wine; he has no white wine this year. If you wish to drink white wine you may bring your own or purchase it from the bar. Corkage is already paid.*



**RSVP no later than December 4, 2011.**

**Chicken**—Mojito Glazed chicken breast with citrus salsa with roasted potatoes and seasonal vegetables.

**Meat**—Carved Prime Rib with Au Jus and Horseradish with baked potato and seasonal vegetables.

**Fish**—Lightly breaded Tilapia with Herbed Beurre Blanc sauce with rice pilaf and seasonal vegetables.

	Member/Nonmember		Price
	<b>Circle</b>		<b>Circle</b>
Name _____	(M) (NM)	Choice _____	(\$30) (\$38)
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TOTAL			\$ _____

**Redwood Empire Model T Club**

General Meeting, November 3rd.

Meeting held at Round Table Pizza, Marlow Rd., S.R.

**President:** Andy Clary called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

**Attendance:** 32 members in attendance. Board & Chair members in attendance: Andy & Jeannine Clary, Robin & Larry Summerfield, Pete & Ginny Rich, George Jones, Steve Vining, Fran Faraudo & Clare Pearson. Absent, Vince Gregoire.

**Secretary's Report:** Jeannine Clary read last months minutes with a correction noting that Historian, Jeannie Nelson was not in attendance. Minutes were approved by Fran Faraudo and with a second by Bill Newlin.

**Treasurer's Report:** Fran Faraudo read the treasurer's report with an approval by Ginny Rich with a second by Joe Konvalinka.

**Tour Report:** Larry Summerfield reported that we had a good tour for the Fall Color Tour. Thank you card will be sent to the Dilworth's for sharing their display to vehicles with our club. November 5<sup>th</sup> is the Pasta Tour Rain or Shine. Christmas party will be December 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Membership Chair:** Bill Newlin reported on memberships.

**Web Master:** Steve Vining reported that our web calendar is up-to-date and has all the information on events.

**Historian:** Jennie Nelson is working on scrap books and will bring to meetings when complete.

**Librarian Report:** George Jones reported that we have no library fines for this month. Library is available for all members. For our new members, we have videos and books available for you to check out from our library.

**Special Events:** No report for this month.

**Sunshine Report:** Robin Summerfield reported that a Get Well card was sent to Phyllis Welsh.

**Editors Report:** Ginny Rich reported that we are down to 40 mailed newsletters and all others are sent by email.

**Old Business:** Ginny Rich reported that the nomination committee has a full board of officers and committee members for the year of 2012. President Chris Rich, VP Steve Vining, Treasurer Ted Shimkowski, Secretary Linda Mori, Membership Bill Newlin, Historian Jeannie Nelson, Sunshine Robin Summerfield, Tour Chairman Larry Summerfield, Editors Pete & Ginny Rich, Librarian George Jones and Special Events Vince Gregoire.

Slate of new officers was passed unanimously.

**New Business:** Ginny Rich reported that Brass on the Grass was asking for our club to give rides to children during this event. Bill Newlin reported that we would require an endorsement from their insurance company to cover our club should something unfortunate happen.

RSVP by December 4<sup>th</sup> if you plan on attending the Christmas Party.

Video was viewed of Steve & Jennie Nelson's TV interview about their Lakester.

Happy Birthday was sung to Andy Clary.

Meeting adjourned: 7:32pm

Thank you Bill & Fern for this month's dessert.

Respectfully Submitted by Jeannine Clary



The Pedal Pusher wishes all the REMTC members and their families a Happy and Peaceful Holiday Season

**New Members**

Bruce Borton & Heidi Mckeever  
 176 Porterfield Creek Dr.  
 Cloverdale, CA 93425  
 916-728-4967  
 bruce95421@gmail.com  
 Bruce & Heidi have a 1915 Huckster



**DUES ARE DUE**

On Page 9 you will find a form to fill out and include with you dues payment. These forms keep us current with your contact information and also new Model T's you might have acquired during the year. Please take a minute to fill out the form. Do you have a new e-mail, phone number, address or cell phone#, which we use on tours?

There is a line for you to request your newsletter by e-mail instead of USPS. We send a little more than half of our newsletters by e-mail and it sure saves a lot of work.

We do understand that some folks do not have a computer and you will always receive your newsletter by USPS.

Another way to see the newsletter is at [www.remtc.com](http://www.remtc.com). Try it , you will like it!

*Happy Birthday*

- Cathy Park* 02
- Audrey Butler* 03
- Bill Newlin* 04
- Nanette Chuck* 05
- Russ Donahue* 08
- Harold Jensen* 10
- Dudley Stone* 18
- Mary McEachern* 21
- Phil Aaron* 25



*Happy Anniversary*

- Aaron, Phil & Carolyn* 18
- Ruelle, Charlie & Jackie* 19
- Clary, Andrew & Jeannine* 15
- Shimkowski, Ted & Dianna* 17

**T**hank you Con and Fran Faraudo  
for the wonderful food

**T**hanks to Bill and Fern Newlin for  
the tour of the backroads

**T**hanks to all who made our last  
tour of the year so special!

*Lots of Model T's*  
*Lots of people*  
*Lots of food*  
*Lots of fun*  
*Great Tour*  
*Wonderful Hosts*



*Grand Pasta Tour*

# Roster Information for 2012

Please check your current information in the roster. If your email or cell phone information has changed, or even if you have added Model T's to your collection or sold some, Please correct the information. Your roster has your contact information for Club members and also for tour changes and general info that needs to be distributed by the Hotline Committee. The roster will be mailed out March 1st, 2012 **Dues are \$30 per year, due on January 1st and deliquent on February 1st**

Please include this information sheet with your payment

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