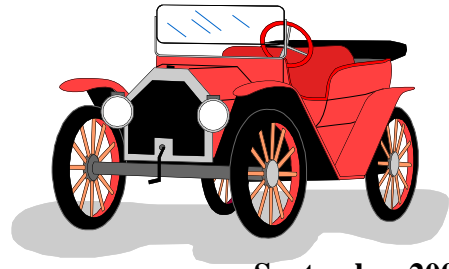


T-TIME

IN CANYON COUNTRY



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T-TIME WITH THE PRESIDENT

Well, the Centennial Celebration is now history, and from all accounts, including my own, it was a fabulous experience. Jay and Barbara Klehfoth did a superb job organizing and orchestrating this event and should be commended for a job well done! The CCMTC families that attended the celebration all had a great time and commented that this event lived up to all expectations. The CCMTC Canyonlands III Tour will have a lot to live up to also, but I'm confident that next year's tour will be a memorable one.

Kathy and I had a great time driving our 1915 runabout across country, and we plan to continue driving our Model T's to tours rather than trailering them. We met so many wonderful people who were so curious about the cars. Everyone asked if we "really" had driven them and not trailered them, and they were amazed when we told them how many miles we had driven. I was able to purchase a nice original 1924 Tudor sedan in Auburn, IL following the Celebration, and I think I'll restore it with the idea of making it a driver....one that can go across country and arrive at its destination in one piece.

I have been working on my son's Model T, and now have it back together. Russ has been so busy with work and remodeling his kitchen he didn't have time to work on his Model T, but now I'm looking forward to having Russ, Ashlee and the kids tour with us on occasion.

Our next event will be the Ashurst Lake Campout Tour on September 12-14, 2008. We hope to see you at this tour!

Russ

T-TIME ON TOUR

The Centennial Celebration by Russ Furstnow

(Most of you have read the blog that Marilyn Petersen wrote while we were driving our Model T's back to Richmond, Indiana. If you haven't done so, please go to the website at [and click on the Centennial Celebration....it is quite interesting and has some great photos.](#))

The Centennial Celebration Tour began on July 5th with three Model T's and one motorhome departing Flagstaff at 7:30 a.m. Marti and Gary Hays drove their 1915 runabout, Dave Chance drove his 1916 runabout/pickup and Kathy and Russ Furstnow (along with Tess and Spencer) rode in their 1915 runabout. Marilyn Petersen followed everyone in her motorhome and she towed Russ's trailer, which was filled with luggage and repair parts. The first night we stayed in Kayenta. Our goal was to leave early every morning (around 7:30 a.m.) and arrive at our destination no later than 3:00 p.m. (we had to be "in the pool" with a drink in hand by 3:30 p.m.). We drove along on U.S. highways rather than interstates, so we were able to really see "Americana". We ate in small mom-and-pop restaurants and met some great people along the way. If we came upon an antique shop, we stopped and checked it out. Also, we stopped about every hour to get out and stretch and use the potty. Just outside of Clayton, NM, Art and Tommie Wimmer joined the caravan with their new motorhome and Model T in tow. It was great to see them, and Art was always there to assist when needed.

The T's ran beautifully, and it was surprising that each car just motored along at 40-42 mph, getting 20-21 miles per gallon! It was great fun, until we got close to Fort Scott, Kansas.....that's when we got a call from Gary and Marti explaining that their car had developed a VERY BAD noise in the engine. Gary thought it was a stuck Bendix spring, but upon further inspection, it was clear that the crankshaft had broken in two. So the little Model T was sadly placed into the trailer (Gary has just now recovered from this devastating experience!!). The two remaining Fords continued on through Missouri, where green rolling hills were the norm, and finally we drove into Illinois. As we were preparing to visit the Lincoln Museum (a MUST SEE) in Springfield, IL, we stopped in a small town to stretch, and a large man named Jim McClellan came out of his business and checked out our Model T's. He told us that he had a "Touring-Sedan" in his shop, and we asked if we could see it. The car turned out to be a 1924 Tudor in surprisingly good, original condition. Russ asked if it was for sale, and Jim said "everything" in the shop was for sale, so Russ decided to purchase the car. We got the car after the Centennial.

The tour continued through Illinois and into Indiana, where we encountered more and more antique stores. We had made great time across country, and were even a day ahead of schedule, so we took every opportunity to stop and enjoy the sights. We arrived in Centerville, IN and took photos of the cars, documenting the fact that we had made it, and then we drove to the KOA Campground where we would camp for the week.

The Centennial was held at the Wayne County Fairgrounds, and it was quite a sight to see all the Fords and different venues. We joined up with two more CCMTC families, John and Montana Renkema and Dick and Joyce Erfert, who had driven "modern" to the Centennial. Harold and Karen Crutcher also joined the tour for a couple of days. Jim and Doris Martin were at the fairgrounds with their 1913 touring, and they had come in early to assist with registration. Jim's daughters, Robyn and Dawn, had their newly restored Model T's at the fairgrounds, and Robyn's firetruck drew a lot of attention. Ford Motor Company had a beautiful display with many of their new models and even brought the famous "999" race car and the 1908 Ford from the Henry Ford Museum. Registration went very smoothly, and each car got a special dash plaque and tour bag filled with nice goodies. As was said earlier, this tour was "done right", and nothing was spared!!!

Some of the events that took place during the week were various seminars, timed assembly of a Model T runabout, a two-day swap meet, a special place called Gasoline Alley where participants could work on their cars, a parade of 380 Model T's through the streets of Richmond, a tour to Hagerstown's airport along with a "fly-in" of several antique planes, a day at an oval race track north of Richmond (Dave Chance took his Ford out to see what it would do!!), and a special stop at Wick's Pie Company, where we ate "sugar-cream" pie (WOW!). There was so much going on that you could not participate in every event, and it was all very well organized!!!

The week sped by, and our group left Richmond on our way to visit Craig Beek and his special collection of early Model T's. Gary and Marti decided to leave the group and visit relatives, as did Art and Tommie. Following our visit to Craig's we departed for the Black Hills of South Dakota, a favorite spot of many of our group. While in the Black Hills, we were able to take in a few days of the Sturgis Bike Rally (what fun!!), visit Mount Rushmore, Custer State Park, Deadwood and Sturgis. On the last day of the tour, Dave Chance's car encountered problems, and his new Warford transmission gave out.....and Marilyn, who was riding with Dave, was unable to see Sturgis first hand (sorry Mar).

Our last day of the drive found us in Kanab, UT, visiting Gene and Reet Mitchell, and we all lamented how sad we were that the vacation was at an end. We had a great time with a great group of people!! Next year will be just as enjoyable with the Canyonlands III Tour, though, and we are already anticipating the FUN!!!

T-TIME MEETING



The scheduled CCMTC meeting was held on Saturday, August 23, at the Chino Valley home of Gary and Marti Hays. Members in attendance were Russ and Kathy Furstnow, Gary and Marti Hays, John and Montana Renkema, Harold and Karen Crutcher, Jim and Margie Ellis, Bill Harrison and Marilyn Petersen. The meeting included reports on the June tour, the

July 4 Independence Day Parade in Flagstaff, progress on the Canyonlands III Tour to be held next June in Kanab, the MTFCA Centennial Celebration, and upcoming 2008 tours. Marti provided a super lunch for the group, Gary hosted a tour of his new garage and tools, Kathy displayed photo albums of the July Centennial travels, and Marilyn showed a DVD she created from trip memories. Thanks so much to Gary and Marti for sharing your home - you were wonderful hosts and made Saturday a very special day for all of us.



T-TIME CLASSIFIEDS

Wanted: Need a rear window regulator on the passenger side for my "new" 1924 Tudor. Also, need a battery horn. These are the only things missing from the car. Russ Furstnow (928) 526-1343

For Sale: 2008 "Carry-On" 16'X6' flatbed tandem axle trailer. This trailer is virtually new (used to bring the Tudor home to Flagstaff), has a 7000 lb. GVW, four-wheel brakes, 2 5/16" ball, break-away switch and spare tire and mount. Licensed in AZ with permanent tags. The trailer is perfect for a Model T and tows like a dream. \$2300. Russ Furstnow

For Sale: 1915 Model T Touring (\$28,500) and 1913 Model T Runabout (\$22,000). Lots of polished brass extras. Looks and runs great. For more info please call Brando (813) 917-9205 Tampa, FL



T-TIME WITH MARILYN

Our website at www.canyoncountrymodeltclub.com has been updated to include information concerning the Canyonlands III Tour in June, 2009. The large box at the top right which previously included balloons and the link to the Centennial has been changed to the tour information. This section of the website will become larger as the tour date gets closer.

The Centennial Blog will not be removed from the website any time soon due to many requests, but is now accessible under the Activities heading in the left column of blue buttons. Thank you for your interest and positive comments regarding the blog - we all contributed photos and ideas, and had great fun doing it for you.

2008 TOUR AND ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

September 12-14 Campout and tour at Ashurst Lake. Call Russ or Kathy at (928) 526-1343 if you plan to attend.

September 20 Sedona Car Show, 10:00-2:00 at Sedona Airport, www.sedonacarclub.com

October 11 Centennial Car Show at Babbitt Ford in Flagstaff. Call Russ at (928) 526-1343 if you plan to attend.

October 17-19 Grand Canyon Caverns tour. Call Gary Selig at (928) 522-9257 or Tate McReynolds at (928) 526-0560 if you plan to attend.

November 15 President's tour and meeting in Flagstaff. Call Russ or Kathy at (928) 526-1343 if you plan to attend.