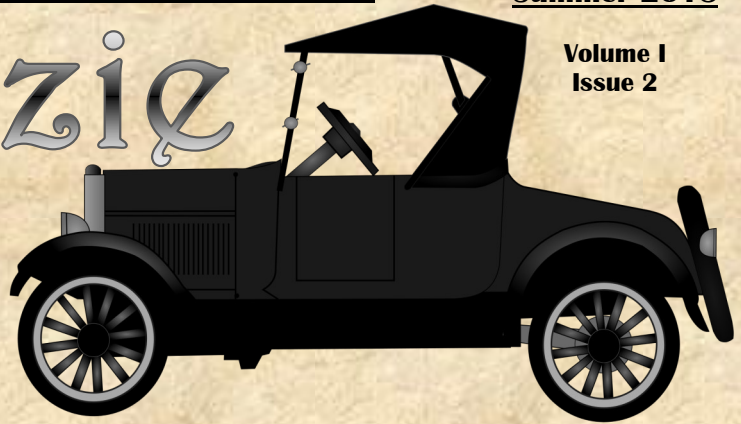


Tin Lizzie TIMES

*A Chapter of the
Model T Ford Club International*



She may look like a real lemon,
~~~ but she truly is a peach!!

When Jeff Herrick drove up in his pretty yellow Center Door Sedan at our last club meeting, a lot of us rushed over for a look. As soon as Jeff began telling the stories about his grandfather, Hank, memories came flooding back to me. It wasn't until he began telling a story about his Hank's discovery of a 1914 Saxon automobile on a New York farm that I realized I knew that canary-colored car probably as well as he did!



*Terry (in shorts) begins to tell the story as it all comes back to him after all these years!*



*Notice the after-market shocks on Jeff's '21 Center Door made by the Duplex Co. of Chicago, Ill.*

When my wife, Susan and I first moved to Southern VA back in the mid 70's we immediately joined the Tidewater Region, Antique Automobile Club of America. Hank was one of the first club members to extend the hand of friendship. It wasn't long until we had a chance to visit Hank at home, and get a thorough garage tour. Of course the Saxon was a highlight, and stories about how the engine block was dug from a field, and the windshield had been used as a window in an old shed simply amazed us.

There was a Maxwell under restoration too, but up in the rafters was the remains of a '21 Model T Center Door Sedan. I'd always wanted one. Hank and I became good friends over the years and swapped a lot of parts around. I have prized spark plugs in my collection that came from him. Although a Model T Center Door was high on my want list, I just couldn't seem to talk him out of that car. He insisted it was going to stay in the family. Hank was a man of his word, and it certainly did!

What a treat was to see that not only had it been kept in the family as promised, but it had been lovingly restored by his grandson Jeff, just as Hank would have had done it, and in his favorite color! It's in good hands now, and true to the way Hank was, he kept his promise. Jeff has created a wonderful tribute to one of the legends in our antique auto hobby.

—Contributed by Terry Bond



*The Sedan's refinished wood trim is a real eye-catcher!*

## A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PRESIDENT.....



So as we start driving more this Summer (and we should!), be sure to give your T a vehicle inspection and look for safety issues. You can download your copy of the MTFCI Vehicle Safety Checklist from our website on the FORMS page.

Our upcoming event in Hilton Village, Newport News on 7 July is a great target date to be comfortable with driving your Ts. Also, for those that can make it to Smithfield for the Olden Days Festival, on 30 June, that will be a fun event, as well as more time behind the wheel.

Our membership continues to grow. We want to welcome our latest recruits, the Sallada family, Rob, Dena, and daughter Leah and their '24 Touring Car. Keep up the good work finding new members, and I look forward to driving with you soon!

*- Jay Pearsall*

**Upper Right:** John Long and Jay Pearsall take a break from all their driving. **Lower Right:** Lizzies line the street in Plymouth, NC while tour members grab lunch and shop around for a bit. They also visited the Port O' Plymouth Museum, and the Windsor Craftsmen and Farmers Museum, and crossed the river on a cable-drawn ferry, two at a time!



*A bird's eye view from the Roanoke River Lighthouse of some spiffy T's!*



## **Hey! Don't Forget..... Upcoming Events!**

Saturday, June 30 — Smithfield Olden Days Festival. 10am-5pm.  
Historic Downtown Smithfield, 23430

Saturday, July 7— Hilton Village 100th Anniversary. All Day  
Warwick Boulevard, Hilton Village, Newport News, VA 23601

July 15-20 — 62nd MTFCI Tour, Western Pennsylvania

August TBD— CoVa Model T Club Quarterly Meeting  
Ken & Margi Wissinger's home, and Riggins Motor Co., Poquoson, VA

*For more info on these events and other great stuff, visit our website!!*

## CoVa Prez Joins NC Club for Two-Day Tour!

So how does one get a chance to see three museums, a Confederate ship, a zoo, a lighthouse, and visit the world's largest gun store? Simply tag along with the Albemarle Area Chapter for a two-day tour through



Plymouth and Windsor, NC. And that's just what our president Jay did! Albemarle member, John Long, (also a CoVa member) invited us and Jay accepted. It's great as a new club we are participating in joint events. We're looking forward to more fun!



### Colonial Virginia Model T Club

Williamsburg, VA

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*"Ladies & Gentlemen, Breaking News!!...  
Updates from CoVa Model T Club Members!"*

## MEMBERS ARE "HANDS-ON" WITH "T" TRANSMISSION.

It was a unique opportunity at the last meeting for club members to get up close and personal with the guts of a Model T transmission. Trey Gwaltney was in the process of restoring his '24 Roadster and brought along the transmission (in boxes!) for the members to study. Many of them had not had the chance to see the insides of a transmission before, so it was quite a special occasion.



*l-r: Scott Nylund, Jeff Herrick, and Max Lindsay listen as Terry Bond explains the "mysteries of the magneto" and other stuff.*

Fortunately, Terry Bond was on hand to explain some of how it all works, having worked on one or two in the past himself. No doubt most of the members will be taking their transmissions apart now to do some heavy-duty restoration.... Or maybe not! At any rate, it was a great learning experience that prompted lots of good conversation. If they had only put it all back together, that would have been great for Trey!

## SCOTT AND LESLIE NYLUND OF HAMPTON, VA HOST COVA QUARTERLY CHAPTER MEETING.

The weather could not have been better for the Spring '18 meeting of the Colonial Virginia Model T Club, hosted by Scott and Leslie Nylund at their home in Hampton, VA.



*Friends, food, fair weather, and Fords! It doesn't get any better!*

We had a great turn out of members AND guests, a couple of T's to check out, lots to talk about, and plenty of good food and drink. We were glad to welcome a few new members, Terry and Susan Bond, and Jeff Herrick. Terry is well known throughout the region for his impressive collection of automobile ephemera and memorabilia, and was generous enough to share some of his pieces with us. Jeff surprised us when he drove up in his recently restored '21 Center Door Sedan. What a treat! (Be sure to read the story on page 1.) We took care of some Club business, announced and discussed some upcoming tours and events, and took advantage of our hosts' hospital-

ity. Scott showed us his starter project, (Check out his story on page 4.) and there were lots of parts and pictures to look at and discuss, including Trey's transmission project and Jay's rear break installation. For a small, new club we sure have a lot going on! Can't wait to get together again in August at Ken and Margi Wissinger's home in Poquoson. Until then, *keep on cranking!*



*Jeff tells the club the family history of his overgrown canary!*

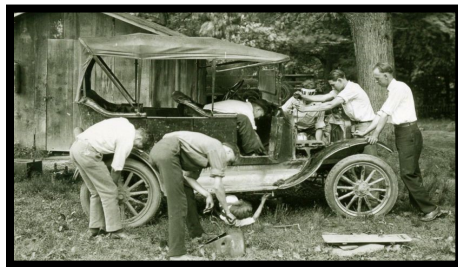


*Scott shows the club his starter project in his '17.*



*Military AND old car vets—You're never too young or too old!  
Timmy Porter, 24, USN and Ken Wissinger, 82, USAF, Ret.*

# T echnical tips For T's



## Scott and Schott are Hot to Trot!

Do you ever wonder how a Model T starter or generator really works? George Schott knows, and he can help you solve any starter or generator problem you might come across. He's also an expert on engines, magnetos and the like. He knows all about cars and he's willing to help you understand the details of any issue you might have. You see, George just happens to be an automotive genius.

George helped me rebuild my starter when my terminal connector broke free from my starting motor. He provided me over-the-shoulder training and gave me the confidence to tackle the job. I was able to rebuild my starter as good as any professional mechanic could do and I'm a novice. I started my project by ordering a copy of the Electrical Repair Manual published by The Model T Ford Club of America. The manual covers the Generator, Starter, Magneto & Coils. I must admit I was a bit overwhelmed with the detail in the manual, but George made it come to life in terms that I could easily understand. From testing the commutator on the armature to ensuring the shaft was straight and true, George made what I thought was difficult task an easy job to accomplish. During my project, I also enlisted the help of Scotty at Apple Machine Shop in Yorktown to press in and ream the starter shaft rear bushing. Additionally, I called upon Jim at J R Precision Machine Service, also in Yorktown to manufacture a new Babbitt end bushing that is on the Bendix side of the motor. I couldn't locate this part in any of the available parts catalogs and the folks at Lang's Old Car Parts told me this Babbitt was usually made of tin. It was poured into place, then shaped and reamed to accommodate the diameter of the Bendix. Jim manufactured a new bushing for me made of a bronze alloy. Call George Schott if you ever need to unmask your electrical mysteries. He said, "I'm always willing to help guys who want to learn how to maintain their own vehicles." Thanks George, you are golden!



*Above: George Schott & Scott Nylund working on Scott's starter.*

—Contributed by Terry Bond

—Contributed by Scott Nylund

Got a question for George? He can be reached by Email at [gbschott@cox.net](mailto:gbschott@cox.net).

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## Not just your Daily Paper...

From the very beginnings of Model T production, accessories designed to improve Henry's product began to appear. They were sold in auto dealerships, garages, repair shops, hardware stores, and of course by mail order. It's these great mail order catalogs that help to date and document some of the items in my collection. I've enjoyed finding them and have been fortunate to have discovered an interesting variety.

—Contributed by  
Terry Bond

