

The Hyphens

A Newsletter for E-M-F, Flanders
and Everitt Owners Everywhere



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Editor's Column

I reported in the last issue that I had planned to construct a top for my dad's 1909 Sears Motorbuggy. Well check out page 3 of this issue for my results.

The 2016 E-M-F Company luting is in the books and it sure looked like fun. I watched things being posted on the Facebook page and enjoyed every picture posted. I have included some of them in this issue of the Hyphens. I hope it encourages you to attend the tour in 2018. I would sure like to. I have missed far too many.

All these photos of the tour really have me looking forward to getting back to the restoration of my car. Now that my kitchen and Sears projects are complete, I need to pull things back out. But as I type this, I have 3 everyday cars needing attention including one in the driveway without a transmission. Fun times. I need to get all these things caught up. I really hope to be able to role my E-M-F out of the garage and turn it around so I can remove the rear axle and start looking at overhauling that this winter. We will see.

I think I neglected to thank **Richard Babcock** for his kind donation to the Hyphens and E-M-F Homepage fund. Funds donated are used in the publishing and distribution of this newsletter twice a year and maintaining the E-M-F Homepage Website. Donations are always welcome, though you are under no obligation.

If you have an idea for a future article, **PLEASE LET ME KNOW**. I am out of ideas.

Happy Motoring!!!

John M. Daly



The Editors favorite photo from the tour is this recreation of a phot used on an old advertising post card. This is the same mini-E-M-F restored. Hoping to have an article on the finding and restoring of this mini-E-M-F in the February, 2017 Hyphens.

First International E-M-F Company Outing a Raving Success!!!

By Beverly Gunderson

On August 7th, Alan and I with our 2 oldest grandsons left our little town of Waller, Texas to head a whole lot north and a little east. Our destination was Orillia, Ontario...Canada. Now folks that's a 1600 + miles for us. In tow was our "new" 1909 EMF. We couldn't wait to meet up with a whole lot of "old" friends and to make a whole lot of "new" friends. And that's exactly what happened.

We arrived in Ontario on the 10th of August. It was a hot day for our Northern friends - and we agreed. It was like Texas weather followed us all the way to Canada. Burn ban and all.

Soon after putting the luggage away, we unloaded our "new" E-M-F. First time on the Orillian roads and we head to the park for the traditional Ice Cream Social. It was held at a beautiful and well attended community park on the Lake. On the way to the park, we passed a large red brick building that was the manufacturing center for the

Tudhope automobile. While at the park, we set up our cars for the public to " ooh and aah". And we answered any and all questions they had to ask us. Regretfully, all the cars needed to be back at the hotel before dark.

From Thursday thru Monday, we traveled more than 300 miles. We visited old towns, churches, canal locks, waterfalls, historical places like St. Marie and Coldwater, participated in a car show, and had socials at the Ford dealership in Orillia and at other members of the Orillia car preserver's homes or businesses. We enjoyed a dinner cruise on Lake Muskoka on a steam ship and we toured the S.S. Keewatin, a beautiful steam powered cruise ship. Every day was we toured through lush forests and rolling hills. Just

Don't Forget
Hershey Registry
Meeting @ Friendly's
Restaurant, Hershey -
Thurs. 10/6 @ 7:00 PM

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traveling on the roads to these adventures was heavenly. Nothing like it in Texas.

Two of those days we did wear a jacket, weather turned cooler and two times we had much needed rainy weather. But that moisture didn't keep us from getting to our destinations.

A Texas size thank you to our Tour Host, John Smith. His committee did a wonderful job!

There were 53 individuals and 31 vehicles in attendance.

Now we have to wait for our next E-M-F Company Outing destination. Folks, they are "Bucket List" adventures. And the friendships are the BEST! Hope to see you in 2018!!!

PS...A while back, a gentleman named Bob contacted our E-M-F president about a car he had restored; a miniature 1910 E-M-F. Bob and his friend Jim came to the Orillia E-M-F Outing and brought the little E-M-F along. Someone found a postcard with this little E-M-F and a big E-M-F on it, and it was decided to recreate the scene. The two people in the "New" picture are Alan Gunderson and John Smith's grandson Gordon. It was a blast re-imaging this scene, until the courthouse security showed up. That's when we made our excuses and left. (No problem... the security guard only wanted to see the old cars too.)



President's Message

*By Daryl Kemerer,
E-M-F Registry President*

Another Company Outing in the Books!

Well! Another E-M-F Company Outing is in the can, so to speak. When we had the first revival of the E-M-F Company Outing in Barkeyville, PA, it was a dream of Kathy and I to get E-M-F automobile owners together through touring. This year, the seventh biennial outing on August 10 - 16, was our first international tour -- in Orillia Ontario, Canada. This tour, planned by John and Susan Smith, was not only a very successful tour but it brought us to the city where the Tudhope, a Canadian version of the Metzger Motor Car Company's Everitt automobile, was manufactured. Driving by the factory where these cars were made and seeing two Tudhope cars on the tour made (for me) a deeper connection to the past we celebrate as we drive our brass-era cars.

Not only were there E-M-F and related cars at the Outing, but also the miniature E-M-F, featured in a 1910 postcard, made an appearance. Owned by Lee Wolff and restored by Bob Atkinson, it caught the interest of all of us as we admired the craftsmanship. This recently restored one-third scale model was originally built in 1910 and supposedly dismantled in the 1920's. In my wildest dreams never did I expect to see it,

let alone have parts of it in my garage; however, Bob brought pieces to my garage to discuss restoration problems and paint colors earlier this year. I shall never forget seeing it disassembled and then fully restored in Orillia. Kudos to Lee and Bob for providing such an historic surprise at our Outing.

The next E-M-F Company Outing should occur during the summer of 2018. As of this time the location is yet to be determined, so we will be discussing possible venues at the Registry meeting in Hershey. Jim Gorel, for the past number of years, has provided his spaces on the field for our Hershey meeting. Weather problems in recent years and an attempt to do something different for the meeting caused Jim and I to discuss other possible sites for the meeting. Jim suggested meeting at Friendly's Restaurant and has reserved the back room for us.

Therefore, this year's **Hershey E-M-F Registry meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 6, 2016 7:00 pm at Friendly's Restaurant, 1000 Reeses Ave., Hershey. [Just off W. Chocolate Ave. opposite University Dr. (that goes to Hershey Lodge)].**

Thanks to Jim and Linda Gorel for hosting the E-M-F meetings in the past and for arranging this year's venue. Look forward to seeing you all at Hershey!

Daryl Kemerer

P.S. Congratulations to the Gorels' daughter Jennifer for completing the restoration of her Plymouth Road Runner, and more importantly, for driving her dad's E-M-F for several days of the tour.

Completed the 1909 Sears Motorbuggy Top Project

By John Daly

Well, I reported in the last issue of The Hyphens that I had planned to undertake the fabrication of a top for my father's 1909 Sears Motorbuggy. I know this is not E-M-F Related, but hopefully you will indulge me. I am happy to report that I was able to complete my objective in the timeframe I had hoped for.

My father had restored this car in the 1970's but had never finished the top for the car. He had finished the top bows, but had never covered them. The top had always remained in the down position with a fax-boot on it so that it appeared that the top was just down.

For the last couple years, my dad (now 90 years old) has been saying that he really wished he could have driven the car with the top on it just once. So last year I set about trying to make this happen.

I contacted several places that do this kind of work after talking to others who have had this type of work done. All the quotes ended up being more than my dad was willing to spend and more than I could afford.

So I asked him if he would let me make the top. He agreed, and I set about learning how to do this work myself. I looked at 3 different cars to see how the tops were constructed. I then ordered the parts I needed, from fasteners to all the material I needed. I ended up ordering most of the stuff from places like MAC's.

I ventured forward. I built a jig for the bows so I could do most of the work without having the car there, since it was in Southeast Iowa and I am in the Chicago area.

Once I had done all I could on the jig, like cover the bows in bow-drill, fabricate the pads etc., I brought the car into my garage and finished the work.

Is it perfect? No. Would I do some things different next time? Yes. Was my dad happy? YES!

I took it back to him over the 4th of July weekend and he drove it out to a car show. He was beaming from ear to ear.

Over the Labor Day weekend, I took the car to the Old Thresher Reunion in Mt. Pleasant, IA. The car had not been at this show in 10 years and has changed a lot since it was last shown. Obviously it now has a top, but it also not has a complete set of correct lights, the correct horn, the correct switch and original style white rubber tires.

My dad, who had not come to the show in 10 years, returned and attended three of the five days. Also, the car was chosen as the feature car for the 2017 reunion, so I get to do it all over again next year!!!

It was time well spent for me and I learned something along the way. Now back to the E-M-F.....



Jack Daly's 1909 Sears Motorbuggy with new top, and new white tires.

Help Spread the Word

Please help spread the word about the E-M-F Registry to other E-M-F, Flanders and Everitt owners you meet. Let them know about the website at <http://EMFAuto.org>. Let them know about the Newsletter.

It has been my hope since I started doing this 14 years ago (oh my, how can it have been 14 years!!!!) to have a way to connect Owners together in a community to share experiences and experience.

Along the way I have met so many great people and I look forward to meeting so many more. I even hope to do it in my own E-M-F someday.

So please help me out by spreading the word. If you sell your car, please let the new owner know about all of this so we can bring them into the fold.

Thanks

John Daly

A Thought to Ponder

Why do we wash bath towels?
Aren't we clean when we use them?

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E-M-F Parts For Sale

1 running board mount **double spare tire bracket**. Good condition 1 **Flanders "20" Radiator Script**. Good condition Complete **drawings for fabricating 3-speed Flanders transaxle housing** (different design from the original one piece cast aluminum housing) 1 never used Vintage, Inc. **5" x7" rectangular mirror**, solid brass with beveled glass. The mounting clamp has been made slightly larger than it came from the factory. 1 original issue of **"History of the Studebaker Corporation"**, by Albert Russel Erskine Make offer. Buyer to pay for shipping. **Bob Lester** Solon, OH CONTACT INFO HIDDEN

E-M-F Services

Restoration: Presently repairing and doing complete restorations on the Splitdorf Model D Magnetos and Coil boxes used on E-M-F automobiles. I also have a small number of excellent **NEW E-M-F Magneto Caps**. For price, please inquire to **The Brass Magneto** CONTACT INFO HIDDEN *Registry Member Gordon Matson*

E-M-F Parts For Sale

I have a restorable **1910-12 EMF front axle** with spindles, drag link (bent) and the cross that attaches to the pitman arm on the steering box. I have it crated and would like to receive \$200 for the parts with the buyer paying the freight. **Jim Warjone** CONTACT INFO HIDDEN

Rear Wheel Hub Pullers custom made for the E-M-F (and other cars).

<http://customhubpullers.com/> or call **George** at CONTACT INFO HIDDEN

Radiator for 1911-1912 EMF and/or 1913 Studebaker Model 35, nice shape with shell, can send pictures. \$600 **Layden Butler** Danville, CA CONTACT INFO HIDDEN

I have the following items for sale:

1) **E-M-F manufacturer's name/ID plate** -- excellent reproduction of original brass plate with holes drilled (not made in India) \$60.00 ea.

2) **Flanders black rubber "bumpers"** (fits between rear springs), exact size of original. \$40.00/pr.

3) **Flanders cast aluminum hood former** (mounts on firewall). \$250.00

Daryl Kemerer

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E-M-F Parts Wanted

Need two **Cylinder Jugs** for the E-M-F Engine. Any leads greatly appreciated.

Joe Swann CONTACT INFO HIDDEN

Upcoming E-M-F "30" Events

October 6th, 2016 - E-M-F/Flanders/Everitt Owners Meeting at 2016 Hershey AACA Fall Meet- Thursday, Oct. 6, 2016 7:00 pm Hershey Time at Friendly's Restaurant, 1000 Reeses Ave., Hershey – The meeting place and time is being changed this year to allow for a better time of car fellowship and leave you more time in the swap area at Hershey. A Win-Win!!!! This will basically be a time to meet up with other owners, register your E-M-F with the E-M-F Registry, check/update your E-M-F Registry information and discuss the future of the E-M-F Registry. We will also be discussing possible sites for the 2018 E-M-F Out9ing tour. If you are going to Hershey, please plan on attending. **For more information contact: Daryl Kemerer** (CONTACT INFO HIDDEN)

March 17th, 2017 @ 1:30 PM - E-M-F "30" Owners Meeting at Chickasha Pre-WWII Meet on the Friday of the show. It will likely be in a meeting room in one of the buildings. This will basically be a time to meet up with other owners, register your E-M-F with the E-M-F Registry, check/update your E-M-F Registry information and discuss the future of the E-M-F Registry. If you are going to Chickasha, please plan on attending. **For more information contact: John Daly** (CONTACT INFO HIDDEN)

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