

May 2, 2010



**33rd Annual Texas T Party
Sept. 29 – Oct. 2, 2010**

**Featuring Palo Duro Canyon
Amarillo, Texas**



Howdy!

Having grown up in Amarillo, Suzy and I are always surprised at how many people have driven through Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle, but have never stopped to see Palo Duro Canyon. If you are one of those, this year's Texas T Party will fill that void. If you have visited the canyon, I know you want to go back. We are going into several different areas of the canyon on three of the four days of the tour and will hit some of the Canadian River "breaks" on the fourth.

Palo Duro Canyon is the second largest canyon in the United States; it is roughly 120 mi long and has an average width of 6.2 mi, but reaches a width of 20 mi at places. Its depth is approximately 820 ft, but in some locations it can increase up to 997 ft. Palo Duro Canyon is nick-named "The Grand Canyon of Texas," both for its size and for the dramatic geological features, including the multicolored layers of rock and steep mesa walls similar to those in the Grand Canyon. 360° panoramic views of Palo Duro Canyon State Park are available on the web at: <http://host.newspin360.net/pdcanyon/> .

2010 will be the 33rd annual Texas T Party, hosted by the Space City T's of Houston, a chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America. The tour dates are Wednesday, September 29 through Saturday, October 2, 2010. This year's Texas T Party tour will feature Palo Duro Canyon and we will be staying in Amarillo, Texas. This year's Texas T Party tour will be a 4 day tour, plan to arrive on Tuesday and depart Sunday morning after the banquet on Saturday evening.

We will be staying in Amarillo. The host hotel for our tour is the Holiday Inn Amarillo. The group rate is \$89 plus tax per night and includes a full breakfast. Trailer parking and the banquet will be at this hotel.

You may envision the Texas Panhandle as flat land, dotted with mesquite bushes, and as a boring drive, but we will have found a few hills. Wednesday and Thursday will feature long, low-gear 10% grades into and out-of the canyon. A stock Model T with good, properly adjusted bands; a working lined parking brake; and a cautious, patient driver with a strong left leg can make the decent and climbs.

We look forward to seeing you there,

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Jeff Cordes,
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Co-chairmen

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33rd Annual Texas T Party

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sept. 29	Sept. 30	Oct. 1	Oct. 2

Planned Activities

There will be a definite cowboy theme to this year's Texas T Party. Plans include a chuck wagon cookout on the rim of the lower Palo Duro Canyon on Wednesday. Wednesday night is Texas Hold'em Night (playing for prizes, not cash, with lessons available, supper on-your-own) at the Big Tex restaurant, home of the free 72oz. steak.

Thursday will feature Palo Duro Canyon State Park where we will eat lunch and take the Tour pictures, and then tour the Panhandle Plains Museum which has a 1903 Ford Model A, perhaps the earliest surviving car manufactured by the Ford Motor Car Co.

Friday's tour will highlight a 19 story Cross at Groom, historic Route 66, a car collection, some time for antiquing or sight-seeing and a car show, open to the public, at Tri State Ford, close to the hotel.

Saturday we plan to drive to Cal Farley's Boy's Ranch, dodging the massive blades of a wind farm on the way and it's your chance to participate in guilt-free graffiti at Cadillac Ranch. At Boy's Ranch we will picnic with the residents, check on their T restoration project, checkout the museum and visit boot-hill. As usual, Saturday night will feature a closing banquet.

Registration

Registration will be open Tuesday, 1:00 - 4:00 pm and 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the hotel lobby, and again on Wednesday morning before the tour.

A registration form is included and we asked that they be returned by July 15. Additional forms are available at: http://www.spacecityts.org/t_party.htm

Lunch is included all four days of the tour along with the banquet. Breakfast is included with the hotel room. Entrance fees to the state park and museums, as well as one picture for each car, are included in the cost of the tour.

Hotel - Holiday Inn Amarillo, Ross St. exit on I-40, East of downtown Amarillo.

Please contact the hotel directly at **806-372-8741** and tell them that you want to make a group reservation and that you need to talk to someone at the hotel to make your reservation. Then ask for the **Texas T Party group rate** of \$89 plus tax. Some participants have had difficulty making reservations through the Holiday Inn 800 reservation number, so please make your reservations directly to the hotel in Amarillo. The usual story talking to the central reservations number is that all of the blocked rooms are sold out, but of course they are not. Our group rate will be honored on for all rooms at the hotel. Pets are welcome with a \$25 one-time fee. The group rate will be honored for reservations until September 1; cancellations may be made until 6:00 pm the day of arrival.

Saturday's banquet will be at the hotel, as will trailer parking (if needed, overflow parking will be available within walking distance of the hotel).

RV Park - Amarillo RV Ranch, ~ 2 miles East of the hotel on I-40.

RV reservations may be made at: **806-373-4962** (www.amarillorvranch.com).

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Registration Form
Please Return Completed Form and Payment by July 15, 2010

Registrant Driver's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

May we include your cell Phone # in the tour book? Y or N (circle one)

Email address: _____

T Year/Model: _____ Model T club: _____

Insurance Company: _____ Policy Number: _____

List Adult Passenger Names below:

List Youth Passengers below (15 and younger):

<u>Registration Fee</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Total</u>
Car & Driver	1	\$180	_____
Adult Passengers	___	\$140	_____
Youth Passengers (15 and younger)	___	\$ 50	_____
Extra Photo	___	\$ 12	_____
Dangles	___	\$ 2	_____

Total Enclosed and due by July 15, 2010 _____

Guest Tickets: Call for single day prices. If participating more than one day, full registration is suggested.

Refund Policy: If your plans change after you register, we will do our best to accommodate cancellations. However, many of our vendors base their pricing on a guaranteed minimum. We will make a full refund if you cancel by July 31, 2010. Cancellations after August 1, 2010, will be made on a prorated basis. No refunds can be made after September 15, 2010.

The SPACE CITY T'S of Houston is a chapter of The Model T Ford Club of America and is a club interested in the preservation of Model T's. Many hours have gone into hosting this event. Registrants, by signing this registration form, agree to indemnify and hold THE SPACE CITY T'S of Houston and each of it's members harmless from all claims, demands and causes of action arising out of negligence of the Registrant, his agents or employees or passengers, and/or the ordinary negligence of THE SPACE CITY T'S of Houston or any of its members. Registrant also certifies that his/her car is in road-worthy condition and meets all requirements of the registered state.

Registrant Signature Date

Make check's payable to: **SPACE CITY T'S** and mail to:
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