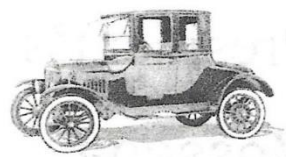


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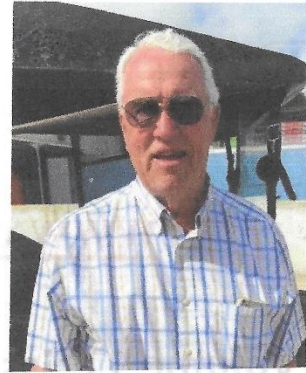


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President's Message



Cen-Tex Tin Lizzie Members

Well, what has been going on in your Model T activity? If it has been like mine the answer is, Not much. My grandson, Jackson Carter reported that while we were out of town, he wanted to take a ride in the 1923 Depot Hack, but he could not get it started. I asked him if he turned on the valve in the gas line just before the carburetor. Oh no, he remarked. He knew it was something simple. Lessons learned.

This month we get to hear about Stanley Steamers. It should be fascinating.

I can report that there is one less hog in the world on my friend's ranch just outside of Marble Falls. After returning from our trip to Santa Fe and the mountains outside of Las Vegas, New Mexico for the week, where it was a beautiful 46 degrees last Sunday morning, I checked the photo records for the trap camera for the four days before. They showed that a hog had visited every day for four days. So, I woke up on Monday morning at 4:33, the time the feeder was set to go off, and looked at the latest photo. Sure enough the 136 pound boar was in the trap, so I quickly went to the trigger phone listing and hit it, which trapped the hog. Later that morning we went and did the needful to get rid of the hog and repair the bent trap gate . Fun times.

I went to the JP Court Monday morning in an effort to obtain a clear title order from the Judge. I received a lesson of knowledge that the Judge cannot in fact issue such an order. So my next effort is to visit the county Tax Assessor. I will let you know how that turns out. Cheers to Juan for the new roster. Have you made your reservation for the Texas T Party yet to join the 10 of us whom I hold reservations for at the motel?

Thanks to Joe Pinnelli for the Dave Barrett memory photos. Another interesting tidbit this week was finding out that an iPhone is sensitive to body heat and will sometimes try to first dial a number and then look for a password when the phone is in a shirt pocket. Finding none, it will then lockout to prevent hacking, for different periods. Putting the iPhone in the pocket with the glass face pointing away from the body can prevent the nuisance shut down. Its hot out there. Stay hydrated and in the shade or in the air conditioning. Heat stroke is no joke. We

still need interesting program ideas for future meetings. I look forward to seeing you Tuesday evening, July 16, at 5:30 for supper and 7:00 for the meeting at the Catfish Parlor on Ben White for food, good company and conversations, and Stanley Steamer knowledge and stories.

Tom Romberg



MEETING of THE CENTEX TIN LIZZIES

June 18th, 2024, at Catfish Parlor South

Members:

23 members and 2 guests

Meeting Notes: The gavel came down softly along with a comment that the meeting would start when Goerge Brunner finished his conversation.

George energetically responded with, “Don’t start so late then!”

There were a couple of early announcements. Glenn Schiller introduced Tommy Cowan with the Lions Club.

Tommy provided an outline of the Lions Club mission which includes national and international chapters. Locally they support multiple programs to include vision screening for children, camps for handicapped individuals as well as scholarships, awards, and many other programs.

The local Lions Club is well known for the Muni Golf Course. They ran the club for 15 years and built the clubhouse, the original 9 hole course, and ultimately the 18 hole course. They then gave it to UT with the understanding it would be held as a golf course in perpetuity. Other ideas have cropped up since but that is a different matter and perhaps a different organization. The Conservancy.

Tony came to provide a formal invitation to the club to participate in the 100 year celebration of the golf course and specifically to participate in the parade. The parade will take place on Thursday October 3, 2024, at 0930 and will include a fly over, parade, and more. Bob Ross will send out more information but essentially there will be a back door for parade participants, plenty of trailer parking, and a lunch at the clubhouse. Arrival and registration need to be

completed by 0900 but pre-registration is possible. Any classic vehicle is welcome, but 1924 models are particularly wanted. All vehicles will be announced over the PA and you'll need to provide a summary of the vehicle to include the owner, model, and maybe something unique about it, or the driver!

The money generated from this event will be used to fund a Lions Club project that includes vision screening for young children. The state provides vision screening starting in first grade, but the Lions Club implements screening earlier in an effort to produce better educational outcomes. Last year they screened at 73 local elementary schools and out of a total of 3200 children that were screened they identified 284 that needed corrective lenses. They then paid for those corrective lenses.

Again, Bob Ross will send out the information to include contact information for the event organizer.

Randy Brown then introduced Ronnie Reeves with a local movie production company. Randy is working on a prequel to the Yellowstone series that will be filmed around Austin. The film takes place between 1923 and 1924 and they are looking for cars from that time period or earlier. They are particularly interested in 4 door sedans and maybe trucks.

They will be filming starting July 8 or so and will continue through September. They are asking for photos of vehicles as well as drivers. They also need the clothing sizes for the drivers, specifically shirt sizes.

Bob will send out the information, but you can also contact Randy.

Jeff Treadwell's son, Jeffrey, was introduced. He's learning to drive his dad's car so he can participate in the filming. What a summer job!

The meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report:

Wellness Report: Tom Rhomberg had a quick conversation (extremely rare) with Joe Pinelli and they were just getting him up and moving after his hip surgery. John Anderson felt bad after the ice cream social and it turned out he had heat stroke and Covid and spent a week in the hospital. He's feeling better and is back home now.

Membership Report: It was suggested that Joyce Shierlow may not have been prepared to provide a Membership Report which was indeed true but everyone was pleased to see her and she says "Hello everybody!" Bob did update the group Gene Shamburger had paid his dues.

Old Business: George relayed that Todd had the depot Hack running and was planning to get the fenders polished. George then thanked everyone for coming to the ice cream social and apologized that there wasn't more room! He also thanked everyone for the cookies and was thankful that Jan brought his favorite cookies but they were eaten by the cookie monster (initials GB). There was then discussion about the timing in June at 1100 and maybe July in the evening would be better. Or maybe March. He wants to continue having the social and suggested providing ideas to Todd... and then corrected himself and suggested Kirsten may be a better option. Multiple club members commented on how beautiful the depot hack was. Tom, with great emotion, recognized the memorial for Pat Goodson's father-in-law and the delightful life he had lived and how fortunate we were that he shared it with us.

New Business: The raffle had a \$84.00 kitty and Steve Hadorn won and took home half of it. There is a parade planned for Seguin on July 4. Let Bob or Britanie know if you are interested in attending with your car.

Show and Tell: Wayne Mimms had a set of AC Small Drum Brakes. They are similar to the Rocky Mountain Brakes. He relayed that Lary Smith copied the plans from Montgomery Wards and was trying to sell the company when he passed away (or as Wayne said-Covid killed him). A gentleman in Utah bought the company and is offering a set for \$500. The information is on the Ford Model T Forum or you can contact Wayne. Brittanie Olvera will also send the information to Bob for distribution.

Car Reports: Britanie relayed more on her developing Model T repair skills. She's pulled the starter, changed a tire, and has now dropped an engine. There was then a lengthy, confused conversation about some rivets, their location, numbers etc. that can be expected in any Model T conversation. Britanie ended the conversation by relaying the incredulous idea that someone said it would be easier to put the motor back in!

Britanie was also encouraged to talk about her new purchases. She had planned to buy a Corvette from George but ultimately bought two!

The older white one is being fully restored while the red one is already being driven regularly. Steve talked about taking his car Tootsie to a local nursing home on Father's Day and described how enriching it was for him and the residents.

This generated a quick conversation about us engaging local schools with auto repair programs in the upcoming school year. The idea is to share a day with the kids and the old cars. A few schools were mentioned to include Crockett in Austin, Hays County, and Reeves in Georgetown.

Program: Pat and Jill Goodson started describing their 40 year experience leading river trips on the Rio Grande....which was interrupted by a fruitless search for a microphone...and then continued without amplification....Jill started taking the trip first and Pat's first trip was in 1989. They rafted early but as the water levels have dropped, they have shifted to canoes and unfortunately missed this year because there was not enough water in the river. They typically take 18 or so folks down the Lower Canyons for 7 days over Spring Break, often with folks that may have not camped or floated a river. The trip and the river have clearly been an important part of their lives and they included a photo of the put-in bridge at La Linda, where they got married! There were a series of interesting landscape photos and a real focus on the interesting people that they meet like the German ant biologist and the guy that wrote the Tecate Journals and has likely floated that section of river 200 times. They relayed many stories about what makes them go back every year. Pat said, "You never know what was going to happen but something would certainly happen!" and those things included flat tires on the shuttle, heavy rain, cold, cracked canoes, introductions to the Rio Grande Swim Club (flipping the boat) and "suck sand" which has claimed many sandals on the trips. Their final slide was all about what they had learned: • Always bring propane. • Check the gear before the shuttle drivers leave. • Expect the unexpected. • Be flexible.

Old Action Items: Consider updating membership list and information and developing better communication tools.

Consider securing the Martindale location of this year's Christmas party. **DONE.**

The website needs updated with new officers, member photos, etc.

J Pinnelli has a lot of photos that need to be archived. Needs thumb drives. Could be sold to members as well.

Consider the use of Treasury funds to pay for speaker meals and gifts.

Consider a donation from the club to the Lone Star Santas or some other sort of supportive gesture, perhaps ordering a Santa or providing a car at an event.

Contact the schools in the fall to discuss a day to bring in the old cards.

Respectively submitted by
Glen Gillman, Secretary

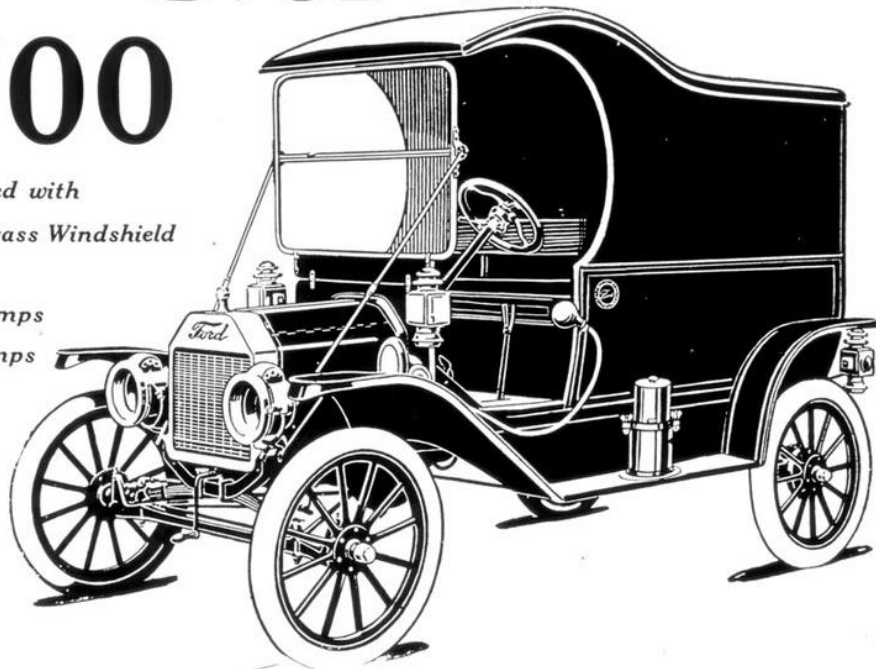
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Michigan DOT Still Has a Century-Old Ford Model T in Service

Story by Beverly Braga

Posted: 7/6/2024

Michigan's car culture is a vibe, and it all started with the Model T. Once that assembly line got going, more people could opt-in. Although production ended in 1927, the Model T continues to make an impact today just as it did more than a hundred years ago—especially if you're Amish.

“Wait a minute,” you ponder. “The Amish forbid the use of motor vehicles.” You contemplate correctly. That hasn't changed. But they do use roads, the same ones cars do. Of course, no horse and buggy can ever match the speed limit, so Amish commuters travel on the shoulder. To ensure these lanes provide enough leeway, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) utilizes an OG Model T as its standard of measurement.



Michigan DOT Still Has a Century-Old Ford Model T in Service© Provided by The Drive
Del Kirby, MDOT manager for the Cadillac (Mich.) Transportation Service Center, explains that buggies have different configurations, sometimes specific to a region. “What was called the ‘narrow track’ was used more in the northern states, and it had an axle width of about 64

inches,” he said. According to Kirby, when Ford developed the Model T, the vehicle was built to the specs of the time’s top transporter: a horse-drawn carriage.

“[Henry Ford] built them to embrace those tracks of the wagon,” said Kirby. “So instead of trying to straddle the ruts, the Model T drops right in. The narrow track on the buggy appears to pretty much match the width on the Model T.”

MDOT uses the Model T to conduct road audits in areas with Amish and Mennonite populations. “For the most part, if you’re riding in a Model T, you’re going to have about the same experience on the shoulder of a road that you would if you’re riding in an Amish buggy,” said Kirby. The vehicle allows the transportation authority to safely do these road assessments while, at the same time, not imposing on the communities. Such road audits are critical in improving road safety and minimizing crashes.



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Amish America, a fansite for all things Amish, says Michigan has the sixth-largest Amish population in the U.S., totaling about 18,000 people. MDOT is currently working on the M-91 project, a \$6-million investment to rebuild 4.5 miles of roadway in Montcalm County. Construction will require a complete closure of a section of Highway M-91 from May to September of this year.

Narrow shoulders pose the greatest risk because buggies are forced into the traffic lane, where they impede faster-moving vehicles. Kirby said that even wide shoulder lanes or fully paved

ones aren't without issue because buggies are not inherently heavy and tend to sway when traveling. When the road is uneven or a tire shifts out of its lane, not only will the ride be uncomfortable, but it can also be unsafe due to the imbalance and possibility of putting the horse in a panic. Being so close to cars and trucks can also spook a horse.

"We've had a number of terrible crashes with both the Amish and Old Order Mennonites in Montcalm County," said Kirby. "On the M-91 project, we're adding an additional couple feet of pavement width on either side [of the shoulder], and we're going to put rumble strips." When construction is complete, Kirby says there will be an 8-foot-wide shoulder that should safely accommodate buggy travel alongside the highway.



A little something from Gene Shamburger

The Trainer

An elderly man rear-ended a guy driving an expensive European sports car. Enraged, the guy hops out and confronts the old man. He yells, "Look what you did to my car! You're going to give me \$10,000 right now or I'm going to beat you to a pulp!"

"Oh my..." the old man said nervously. "I don't have that kind of money. Let me call my son." he said with hope. "He trains dolphins and he will know what to do."

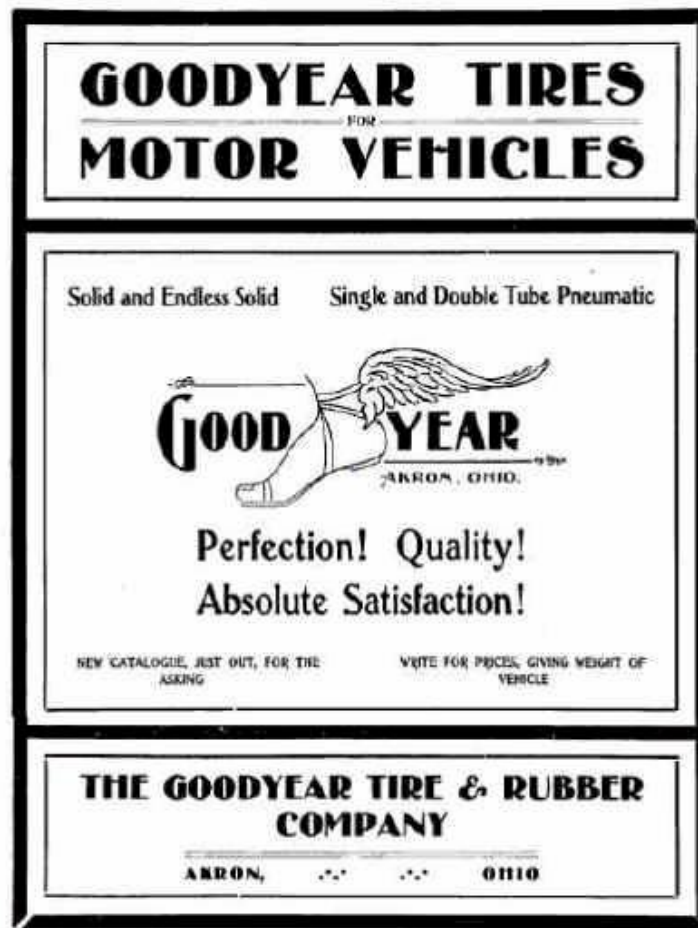
"Dolphins!" the other driver huffed, while rolling his eyes.

The old man pulled out his phone, dialed his son, and just as his son answered, the irate man snatched the phone away from the old man.

"So, YOU'RE a dolphin trainer, huh?" The irate man yelled, "Well, your old man here just rear-ended my car and I need TEN GRAND right now, or I'm going to beat you AND your old man to a pulp!"

"I'll be there in 10 minutes." says the voice calmly on the other end.

Exactly 10 minutes later, a Jeep pulls up and a guy hops out and proceeds to pulverize the bully, leaving him in a heap on the side of the road. When he finished, he walked over to his father and said, "For the last time dad, I train Seals... Navy Seals. NOT dolphins!"



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