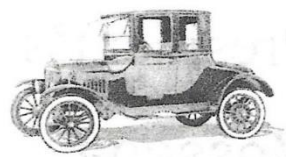


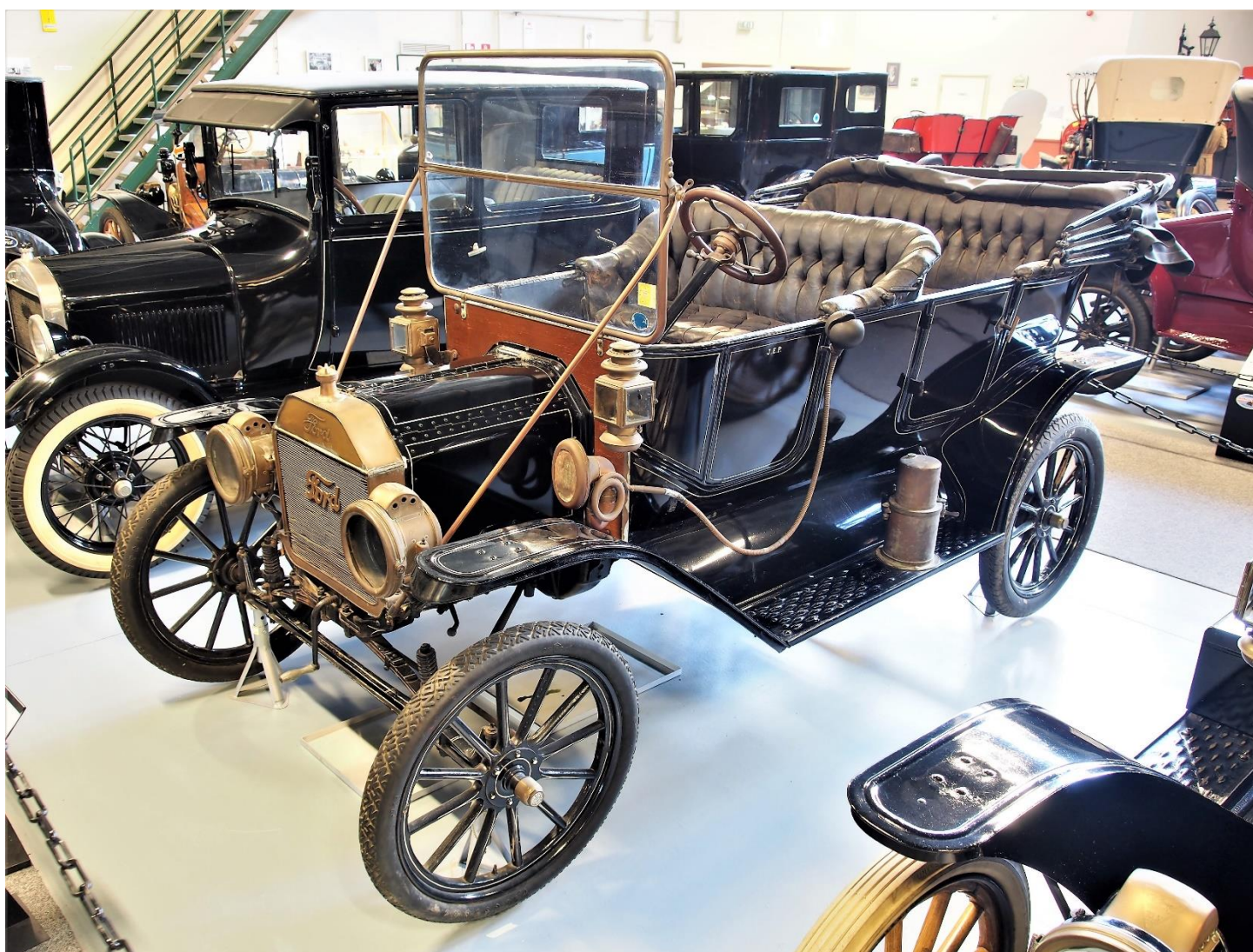
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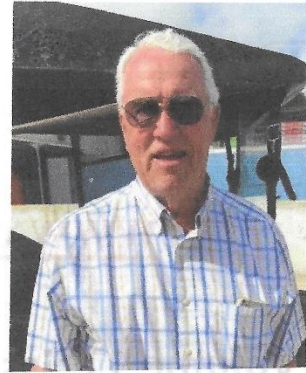
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President's Message



Well today I get to share some joy and also some somberness. It's 9-11, which reminds us all of man's inhumanity to mankind as well as the dedication and bravery of our public servants, particularly the firefighters who ran to the fires and those many that lost their lives in that tragedy.

As many or perhaps all of you know, I enjoy driving my antique cars. In driving them I discover things that need attention to improve or repair or even replace. Of course for those of you who do drive them, you know that there is always something that needs attention.

Such was the case with my Model A recently. I have long been "chasing" a yan, yeh, yeh noise in the car when it gets up to about 40 mph. Guessing, rather than properly diagnosing the problem, I pulled and rebuilt the transmission. The noise was still there. I eliminated engine noise by pushing in the clutch when at speed. Then I enlisted the aid of 29 year old grandson, Jackson Carter, to listen with a stethoscope while running the vehicle jacked up on stands. He identified the strongest sound from the point of the speedometer cable and the drive shaft. We disconnected the speedo cable and tested again and the sound went away. Removing the cable gear assembly there did not reveal anything definite, but I went ahead and replaced that assembly and the cable and sheath completely. Then test driving again there was no underneath noise, but the speedo head exhibited a new similar noise. Finally after removing and fussing with the speedo head 4 times, I watched a Paul Shinn video on just exactly servicing the speedo head. With new knowledge and confidence I was able to remove the drive gear cover on the speedo head and found dried up grease cake in the chamber, which of course was not surprising on this 95 year old assembly. After cleaning it out and adding new lite grease, it is working well and quietly. Long story, but I am happy with the results and in truth, with the process.

Joe Pinnelli reports a similar story with his 1927 Chevrolet which he is trying to make dependable and running well. I am delighted to report that his health has improved to the point that allowed him to crawl under the car and install an electric fuel pump recently, of course in his beautiful new shop garage in Martindale. He is properly proud of that accomplishment.

This month's program is by Bill Records, who was George Bush's official photographer for a while until he had to give it up to look after his father's failing health. He is also an avid racing sailor on Lake Travis. We may have the projector situation sufficiently prepared for so that it can go smoothly. I believe that you will enjoy what he has to share.

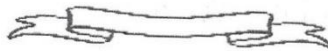
The Texas T Party has several of us going to enjoy the fall driving, the wonderful other T people, the Texas Hill Country in the Kerrville area and seeing a giraffe or two at the Y O Ranch.

There is still time for you to make that decision and I have a few rooms at the headquarters hotel. Right now we have Joe Pinnelli, Rombergs, Bakers, Goodsons, Britanie, and Wayne Mims.

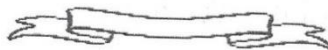
I look forward to seeing you at this month's meeting on Tuesday evening, September 17, at the Catfish Parlor on Ben White Blvd. at 5:30 for supper and 7:00 for the meeting and program.

Have Fun.

Tom Romberg



Famous Quotes: "When your mother asks, 'Do you want a piece of advice?' it is a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway."—*Erma Bombeck*



MEETING of THE CENTEX TIN LIZZIES



August 20, 2024

Members

18 attendees, all members.

Meeting Notes

Without our President, the meeting got off to a rough start and finished somewhat worse.

Barbara Baker started off the meeting by sneaking in her well-loved banana cobbler that she traditionally brings to the Ice Cream Social. I noticed Jeff Treadwell trying to make a move on the dessert and getting a stern reprimand by Barabara and knew we were in trouble!

Our President, Tom Romberg, was absent so Britanie Olvera took over but had forgotten her notes at the house. Fortunately, this is a car club and car clubs are all about helping one another. Of course, the help isn't always great!

There were no guests in attendance and Britanie highlighted the need to get more folks involved in the club and suggested that the cooler weather provides for an ideal opportunity.

The meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report

Jan Donnell was introduced as the financial guru and responded with a "whatever" and then proceeded to provide the Treasurers Report as always.

Car Report

Britanie broke with protocol and went straight to the car reports.

JC Carter simply said, "Pig not feeling well."

Gary Bakers new car is in the local movie and he committed to it being there through October. So, without one to drive he figures that's a good excuse to build a new one. Barbara scowled. A tech gathering at his shop was suggested to which Gary replied, "There's no room!"

Britanie still has her motor out and once again commented with amazement that anyone can actually keep track of all those parts and get them back in the car. The group indicated this was completely possible but also conceded that there are "always a few extra parts".

Wellness Report

Joyce Shierlow made the meeting but had little to say as she was enjoying her shrimp plate.

I got an unclear note about JC Carter and a deviated septum but am not sure if it is his!

Joe Pinelli continues to break in the new hip and his doctor has said, "Don't come back unless you can't walk."

Wayne Mimms took a 50 mile road trip in one of his cars and said he nearly died of heat stroke.

New Business

Brittanie asked to get a display of hands for folks attending the Texas T Party and I counted around 5 hands.

The Heros and Hot Rods Car Show on November 11 in Bastrop was highlighted as an opportunity and registration was recommended soon as they expect to fill all the available slots in the show.

Wayne mentioned the Pistons on the Square Car Show that repeats monthly in Georgetown. They were short 50 spots last month and he noticed that his was the only Model T at the last show.

If you know of any shows please send them to Britanie so she can inform the club members.

Program

Britanie teased the crowd about a special guest that was a founding member of the car club from 1970. His name was never formally provided but the dashing Randy Brown stood up and appeared ready to present about his experiences with Model T's. Unfortunately, the AV system was not functioning and IT support was limited.

Fortunately, the banana pudding was served and that tempered the excitement of the crowd for a time while the troubleshooting continued. There was a moment where the computer and projector seemed to connect but it was short lived and did not present itself again.

The meeting was adjourned and after the meeting the purchase of a projector for the club was discussed.

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.**

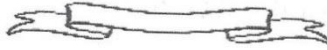
The website needs updated with new officers, member photos, etc.

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

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

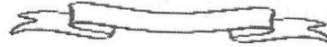
Consider a donation from the club to the Lone Star Santas or some other sort of supportive gesture, perhaps ordering a Santa or providing a car at an event.

Respectively submitted by
Glen Gillman, Secretary



Coming Events:

1. Sept 17 Next Meeting at South Catfish Parlour
2. Oct 3 the Lyons Club Golf Club 100th Birthday Bash, at 2901 Enfield Rd Austin, TX .
3. Oct 15-18 the 2024 Texas Tour in Kerrville, Texas
4. Oct 15 Next Meeting at South Catfish Parlour - Slate of Officers
5. Nov 19 Last meeting for the year - Elections
6. Dec ? Christmas Party at Martindale



Famous Quote: "By the time you're 80 years old you've learned everything. You only have to remember it." —*George Burns*

Automotive Firsts

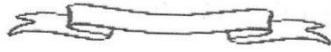
This will be a series of automotive firsts like the first car maker becoming standard the following accessories: Keys, Brakes, Power Steering, Self-Starter, Power Assist Brakes, Radio, Two Wheel Brakes and other accessories that we take advantage of on today's cars and trucks.

Starting Your Car

Just getting an early car started was a laborious task. Set the choke, fuel mixture, and spark advance, step out and walk to the front to grab the handle on the engine crank and give it a few turns, adjust as needed until it ran. Replacing the dangerous and onerous task of cranking with an electric motor to do the work was a huge game-changing "first." Charles Kettering invented the starter in Dayton, Ohio, innovating on his previous invention of a cash register that opened its drawer with a motor assist. Kettering had already invented a new ignition system for Cadillac, and the "self-starter" showed up in 1912 on that brand, along with a whole electrical system that made electric lights practical.

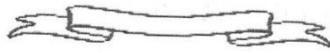
It pretty much spelled the beginning of the end for the era's electric cars and steam cars and any other mode of transportation that took more preparation to get going than to hop in and push the button. Yes, button. Energize the ignition system with one switch, then press a button (floor-mounted ones you pressed with your foot were most common) to spin the engine up with the starter. Ignition keys came later to lock that system (some cite Cadillac's V-16 of 1930, others say it arrived here and there earlier in the '20s), but the familiar combination ignition/starter switch using a key you'd twist to engage the starter and release afterward? That didn't show up until after

World War II (Chrysler, 1949). Now we walk up to the car, it senses the key fob in our pocket or handbag, the doors unlock, we hop in, push a button, and drive off. Firsts upon firsts along the way.



Did You Know: That cats can make more than 100 vocalizations.

Did You Know: That “Bluetooth” technology was named after a 10th-century king, King Harald "Bluetooth" Gormsson. He united Denmark and Norway, just like the technology united computers and cell phones.



1925 Ford Model T 3-Door Sedan

Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies Model T Ford Club – Send mail to Steve Hadorn, 10312 Peekston Drive, Austin Tx 78726

The Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies meet monthly (except December) on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM. Visitors are welcome! New Members are even more welcome!

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