

Band Chatter

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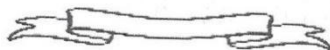
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Aren't You Glad you don't have to be driving that T this month?

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President's Message Feb 18, 2025



To all the members;

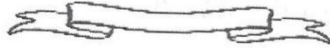
I believe it was the first of February and I was driving back to South Austin from a work function in Pflugerville when I noticed a lot of interesting cars on the toll road. Quite a few old cars, a few convertibles, and all of them being driven by someone that was clearly having a good time! That's when I realized that folks were getting their cars ready for the spring drives and car shows.

Incidentally, around the same time the first information about the Texas T Party was released and I realized we had an opportunity to start planning for that event. I'd like to challenge the club to consider what we can do to get as many of our members there as possible. We all have our own unique challenges but perhaps we can work through some of those and get folks to the tour that couldn't get there on their own. Some folks will certainly have a car at the tour and perhaps we can see about filling any empty seats. Others may not feel comfortable trailering a car but I bet we can find a partner to help with that. Others may not be able to make the whole tour and maybe we can find a way to get them there for a short drive. I am one of those in need and will be looking to help (or get help) so I can properly enjoy my first Texas T Party, however that looks. I'd like to visit about that this month.

Of course that event will not be until the Fall and I saw something else this Spring that teased my interest. Potato Race, Backseat Driver, Teeter Totter, and Bean Bag Toss probably mean something to many of you that have been in the club for some time but the names are new to me and the descriptions were enough to further pique my interest and cement my desire to attend the Kingsbury Fly-in on March 29, 2025. I'll go alone but I'd rather go see some of you old pros on the course so I can cheer you on. Let's visit about this as well.

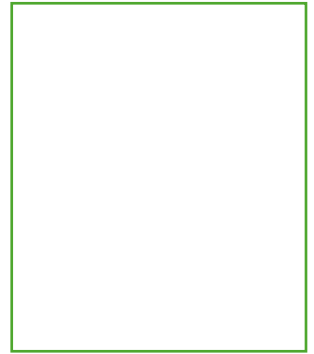
There's also a tailgate swap meet planned which I think would be great chance for all of us to clear out some of those old parts, and Gary, I'll offer to help your load a trailer!

Glen Gilman



MEETING of THE CEN-TEX TIN LIZZIES

January 28th 2025



Members:

10 members no Guests

Meeting Notes:

The meeting was called to order early, 6:30 PM, by our new President with resounding energy and exciting ideas. He outlined 4 new SIGN UP documents and encouraged everyone in the club to get involved in one or multiple areas:

- DRIVES: Sign up to host/create a DRIVE/TOUR
- TECH DAYS: Sign up to put on a TECH DAY
- NEW/INFO /STORY: Newsletter HELP, Sign up to submit a story / article or info to share as editorial piece in monthly (so your signing up for 1) month
- MONTHLY MEETING: Sign up to be CONTENT in that month's meeting (bring a show. Video, or just talk, or bring a guest to speak) 20-30 min or so to present

It was asked that everyone put their BIRTHDATE AND OR ANNIVERSARY dates on Roster so we can start announcing and acknowledging members special days. (that was passed around but approved)

Since the last meeting was the Christmas Party no meeting minutes were taken or needed to be approved.

Membership Report:

No new members but in January we had 24 members paid up.

New Business:

A new Vice President is needed for the club. Glen ask for interest from anyone in the group and Gary Baker said he would do it. A motion was made by John for Gary to be the Vice President

seconded by George. A vote was taken and all were in favor with none opposed. Thank you Gary!

Finance Report:

Jan gave the Treasurer's report

More New Business:

Glen wanted to talk about ideas, challenges, and wanted feedback and collaborative discussion on the following items.

1. Recognition:

Coming up with some plans or things we can do with the money i.e. Scholarship's (lively discuss on this pros and cons) some feeling we don't have the money, that its not doable (yet) – with others stating we can GROW the club, do fundraisers and fine means to make money (donors, sponsorships) but that in order to PRESERVE and ACTION on the Cen Tex Tin Lizzies MISSION to PROMOTE and ENCOURAGE MODEL T ownership/ education and fun. That this is a worthy investment

2. Events:

Joe P put on a fabulous TECH DAY - well attended with a car being fixed (although not Joes,) everyone agreed it was another fabulous event from our great host Joe P. Joe said he wanted to sign up to do another one as well. The suggestion was made to MARKET It, bring in other T owners or those who want to learn or have interest. Events are needed, MORE Of them and more openness to doing events in conjunction with other clubs or organizations. TO PROMOTE The MODEL T CLUB (and again following on the mission of the club) references to the following a. FATHER DAY SHOW – AACA is planning on doing one and John mentioned since he is the VP there he will keep our club updated on that. Joe P said he will coordinate some more gatherings at his place as he liked the comradery and chatting and he said plenty of places to drive from Martindale. Glen is already in conversation with other CLUB presidents and is communication with SPACE CITY Ts as well.

3. Participation:

Glen encouraged participation MORE – even if you don't bring your T, come with others, show of forces a GROUP together in numbers we can DO MORE. We need to add more items to our website – itineraries places and dates to take your cars-- club to be willing to do more COFFEE AND CARS type events (we may can coordinate small drives around or after those events so there is drive time/ possibly) but Glen mentioned just SHOWING UP- SHOW YOUR CAR's and answer questions. Gary Baker seconded this idea and applauded it and said there are lots of

event we can do this at, he encouraged it and there seems to be some interest in GROWING the club and doing more things Outside of just MODEL T only events. He asked for input on club spending money to buy a MARKETING board or do a brochure. Barbara and Gary mentioned the 3-fold brochure AACA did – she went and got it and brought it in to share.

4. Club Mission:

Glen wanted to READ The MISSION and he again stated as PRESIDENT his goals are to be in line with the mission of the CENTRAL TEXAS TIN LIZZIES and to DRIVE MORE (more activities to gather as a club). MEMBERSHIP DRIVES (INCREASE CLUB #S) AND ADVERTISING (needed). Glen asked about financing this – John stated the Board needs to approve.

Jan mentioned that the Board has not been consistent in meeting as per the by-laws. Glen said that would be changing and likely some meetings would be PRIOR to the regular meeting in another part of the restaurant that he would work on that ASAP and get dates times out to BOARD

5. COMMUNICATION AND CO FACILITATE

Communications with other clubs by communication in website – texting – emails and other means * most everyone said TEXT is a great way to get update to them (Glen stated he would look into options on TEXTING platforms)

Old Business:

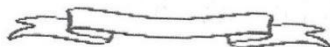
None discussed.

Program:

Discussion took place of the program this evening.

MEETING adjourned, Motion, second, and time were not noted due to the lively discussions.

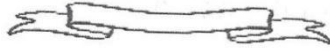
The minutes this month were a collaboration with notes taken by Britanie and edited minimally by Glen and Richard. Thank you Britanie for filling in.



Did You Know: The Hawaiian alphabet only has 13 letters.

Editor Comments

As editor and chief of the newsletter Band Chatter, I am soon running out of material to put into the newsletter, so I BEG members to please provide me with material, Joke, Article, Story, or Mishaps that have happened to you or someone else. I will print almost anything you can submit to me for the newsletter.



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.

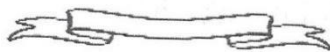
Automatic Transmission

An automatic transmission (sometimes abbreviated **AT**) is a multi-speed transmission used in motor vehicles that does not require any input from the driver to change forward gears under normal driving conditions.

The 1904 Sturtevant "horseless carriage gearbox" is often considered to be the first true automatic transmission. The first mass-produced automatic transmission is the General Motors *Hydramatic* four-speed hydraulic automatic, which was introduced in 1939.

Automatic transmissions are especially prevalent in vehicular drivetrains, particularly those subject to intense mechanical acceleration and frequent idle/transient operating conditions; commonly commercial/passenger/utility vehicles, such as buses and waste collection vehicles.

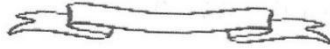
Oldsmobile was dedicated to the introduction of new technologies in GM's nomenclature. And automatic gearboxes were one of their greatest hits. They introduced them on their 1939 models. However, the Hydra-Matic automatic was slow, complicated and heavy. But, it revolutionized the industry. Today, almost half the cars offered each year has an automatic transmission, thanks to those innovative Oldsmobile engineers.



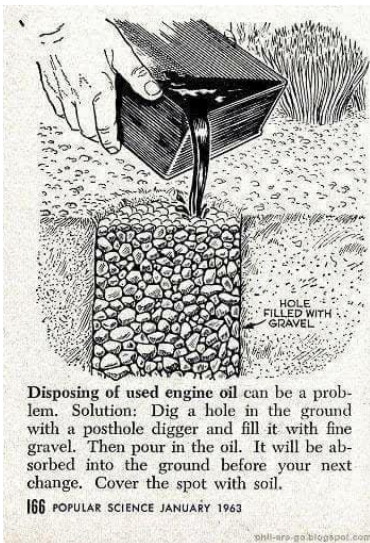
Did You Know: Jeannette Rankin was elected to the House of Representatives four years before women had won the right to vote.

Coming Events:

1. February 18 February Meeting
2. February 22, 2025 8:30am – 2:30pm STEPHANIE NICHOLS' 14th ANNUAL CAR and VINTAGE PLANE SHOW Georgetown Municipal Airport
3. April 2025 ICE CREAM SOCIAL Austin, TX – by The Brunner Family
4. April 24-26, 2025 PATE SWAP MEET Texas Motor Speedway, Fort Worth, TX
5. May 2-3, 2025 LONESTAR ROUNDUP <https://lonestaroundup.com/>
6. May 3, 2025GTACC 18TH ANNUAL CAR SHOW 2 Texas Drive, Georgetown, TX



Remember when we were able to do this?



**2025 TEXAS T PARTY, MARSHALL, TX
OCTOBER 7-12, 2025**



FOUR DAYS IN EAST TEXAS!

Host hotel:

Hampton Inn Marshall, 5100 E End Blvd S, Marshall, TX 75672

To book: 1. Go to www.hamptoninn.com

2. In Where to? Type Marshall, TX

3. Select Check-in Check out dates.

4. Click Special Rates, Scroll the Group Code type: **TTP**

5. Click Find a Hotel

It will be the first hotel in the list. Room rate \$119+tax

(You may also call 1-800-426-7866. Inform agent of code **TTP**)

Hot breakfast, Pet Friendly. **Group rate expires September 23, 2025**

2nd Hotel:

Quality Inn Marshall, 4911 E End Blvd S, Marshall, TX 75672

903-935-7923, Call to book, use code **Texas T Party**.

Room rate: \$86+tax single \$90+tax double

Hot breakfast, NOT pet friendly. **Group rate expires July 30, 2025**

Other hotels:

Clarion Pointe Marshall

5301 E End Blvd S, Marshall, TX 75672, 903-927-0009

Comfort Suites Marshall

5204 E End Blvd S, Marshall, TX 75672, 903-927-1139

Did You Know: In South Korea, there is an emergency number to report suspected spies (it's 113!)

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Interesting Fact: New York City mob boss Vincent Gigante used to avoid arrest by wandering around in his bathrobe to convince the police he was insane.



1912 Ford Model T C-Cab Delivery Truck



1907 Ford Model T Runabout - Red

Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies Model T Ford Club – Send mail to: Glenn Gillman: at 3309 Plantation Rd.
Austin, TX 78745-7426

The Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies meet monthly (except December) on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm at the South Catfish Parlour on Ben White Blvd, Austin, TX. Visitors are welcome!

New Members are even more welcome!!

President: - Glen Gillman

Vice President: - Gary Baker

Board of Directors: Drew Patterson – J.C. Carter – Vic Donnell – George Brunner

John Anderson – Britanie Olivera

Treasurer: - Jan Donnell

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