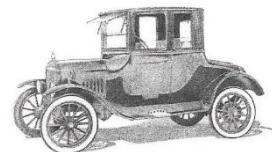


# Band Chatter



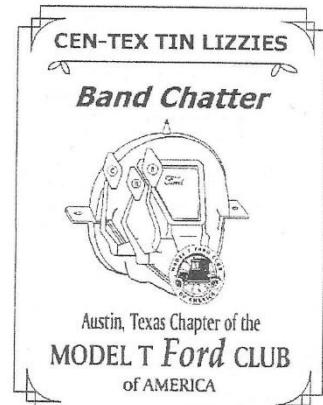
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## It's Alive! That was the exclamation of the Tech Session Crew at the Clarks.

**Just another day in paradise** by Vic Donnell

Our members had a little more than a month to plan what they would contribute to a work day at the home of our new members, Wayne and Elaine Clark. Wayne told us when they came to their first meeting in January, that they have a 1910 Ford that Elaine had driven when she was in high school. Several of us agreed to visit them in February to get their car running. Well, we did. We had a good crowd for the visit. Not sure I can list all the names of participants, but I'll give it a go. I think George and I were the first to arrive, followed shortly by Jeff Treadwell, Roger Spillers, Jim Ferguson driving his 38 Ford, Bill Stevens, Bob and Karen Ross, Steve Hadorn, Tom Romberg, and Tony Temple. Everybody brought something useful with them, and there wasn't any duplication of tools or parts. Interesting!



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## Minutes of the February 2016 Meeting by Bob Ross

President **Steve Hadorn** opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. He then gave an emotional goodbye as he stepped down as president due to differing opinions. A decision about how to proceed will be made by the Board of Directors.

The president then welcomed our newest members, **Wayne & Elaine Clark** to the meeting.

A motion was made to accept the minutes as published in the newsletter by **Robert Norberg** and seconded by **Bob Ross**. The motion carried.

Wellness chair, **Cynthia Hadorn** said that **Nick Unger's** mother died and a card was sent. A donation was going to be sent to **Nick's** charity and he said he would match the amount. **Jan Donnell** was to send the donation. Also **Joyce Shierlow** is recuperating at her daughter's and is ready to go home.

Treasurer, **Jan Donnell** gave her report on the health of the club's treasury. **George Brunner** made the motion to accept the report as read and **Karen Ross** seconded the motion, and it passed.

Past president, **John Anderson** spoke about the San Antonio club now being a nationally recognized member of the Model T Ford Club of America and they were working on getting their 501 (c) 7 status as a non-profit organization. They are holding a tour this weekend (Feb 20<sup>th</sup>) as well as one on May 14<sup>th</sup> in San Antonio.

This weekend is the Tech Session at the home of **Wayne & Elaine Clark**, in Round Rock.

For Show and Tell:

**Bob Ross** brought two books; A History of Ford, and Ford Trucks since 1909.

**Vic Donnell** brought a new product 'Tub O' Towels' it has cleaner within the towel and cleans just about everything under or around a car.

**John Anderson** brought a Battery/Coolant tester all in one device.

**Joe Pennelli** brought a complete spotlight unit.

After a close vote, **Vic Donnell** was declared the winner with his towels.

The Catfish free dinner is February 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at the Catfish Parlor on Ben White.

**Jeff Treadwell** is hosting a tour around Dripping Springs on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March. More information will be forthcoming at the next meeting.

On the 50-50 raffle, **Bob Ross** won.

The intermission with snacks was provided by **Roger & Carolyn Spillers**.

**Bob Ross** put on a program about the Fronty Fords – this was race cars with Model T engines with Chevrolet performance accessories that allowed a Model T racer attain speeds of up to 100 MPH.

JC Carter has the program for next month.

The meeting was adjourned.



The winds of change blew strongly at our February meeting as President Steve Hadorn stepped down from his position. I was saddened by this course of events and I commend Steve for his efforts as President. As a result, the Vice President (yours truly) was moved up to the number one spot.

I believe we have a great club, with a much diversified membership. Our people come from all walks of life, income brackets and beliefs. We all come together and enjoy that marvelous machine, the Model T Ford. Our cars are show stoppers, trophy winners, drivers, unrestored originals, homemade masterpieces and worn out jalopies. Yet we treasure each and every one and can think of nothing more fun than getting together and driving them --- even if it's just to see how far we can get.

There are many driving and fellowship opportunities planned for 2016 and the touring season is already starting, with the March 19th tour hosted by Jeff Treadwell. Remember that EVERYONE is encouraged to participate in these events, even if you do not have a Model T or if yours is under the weather or has been in a long slumber. You can always drive a different collector or modern car, there are usually plenty of open seats in some of our Model T's and we would love to have you ride along.

There are still a few spots to fill on our program and tour sheets; if your name is not already listed on any of these sheets, please consider signing up. Our club is what we make of it, so let's make the best of it that we possibly can.

Till next month,  
Robert Norberg, President

Work started when George relieved the car of its coils. He had his tester and started testing and adjusting the coils. Jim, Bill, and Jeff commenced removing the carburetor and checking the fuel lines for unwanted leaks. They also added water to the radiator and started trying to stop all the water leaks. They didn't quite get that job done. I had brought two rebuilt carburetors, some spare parts, and tools. I loaded Wayne's old carburetor to bring home for a rebuild and installed one of therebuilt I had brought. The rest of the team checked out electicals, charged the battery, re-installed the floor boards and prepped the car for starting. Oil levels looked good, brakes seemed to be okay, there was "some" water in the radiator, and gas was added. We tried cranking it on battery. We tried cranking it with a twelve volt jumper. We tried hand cranking it. We even had Tom Romberg try his magic "manly" crank that worked so well when we doctored the 1914 of Tony Temple. It wouldn't start. We rolled the car down the driveway and hooked a tow chain to Bill's truck for the tow.

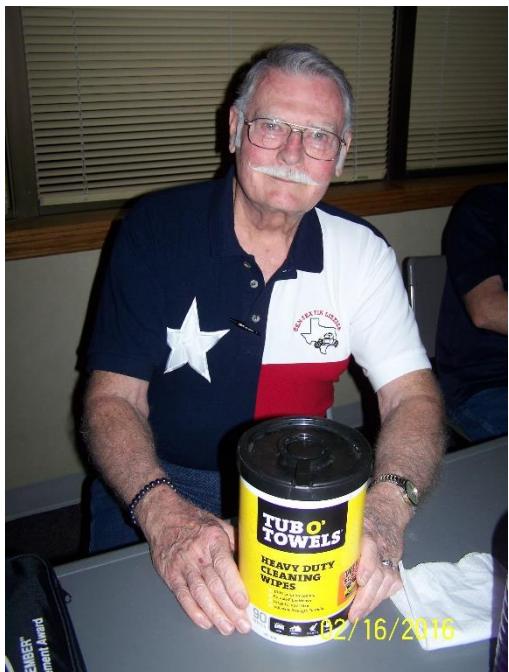
Bill took us down the street and after a while she began to run.... Sort of. It ran a short while and gave up with a wheeze. At that point, I asked if there was a route around the block. Funny I didn't think of that question earlier. We continued towing and she started running again and again she gave out with a wheeze. This continued and she started running again as we turned the corner near the Clark house. We dropped the tow chain and got just enough momentum to climb the hill in the driveway and just get the nose of the car into the garage before the last wheeze.

There had to be something wrong with the fuel flow to run like that, so off came the carburetor, again. Disassembly of the carburetor revealed the problem. The old fool who did the rebuild had put the thing together without some of the important parts. They had been ordered but not received when the body was assembled to wait. Well!!! So, I dug into my stash of parts and found the ones that had arrived but not been installed, and I installed them. Well guess what? The dang thing started and ran like it was supposed to. Well, nearly. Jim and Bill, with a whole lot of unwanted help, fabricated a replacement for the carburetor linkage that would be long enough to allow the engine to come down to idle. Then we noticed that the timer was moving when it shouldn't be moving. Off it came for a look-see and cleaning. When that was back on, the car started and ran like it was supposed to.

So, back down the driveway and around the block. The neighbors who had seen us struggling around the block before were now cheering our success. Wayne got a quick driving lesson, and then he made a block and a half before pulling it back up the hill climb driveway and into the garage. All we had to do then was clean up a little, sort and recover our own tools, and have a quick lunch courtesy of the Clarks. It was just another day in paradise.



## Show and Tell Winner February



**Vic Donnell**



Who will be the  
winner in  
March?

## March 19<sup>th</sup> Model T Tour

Starts at the Treadwell House. (Jeff and Denise)

12110 Fitzhugh Place

Dripping Springs, TX

512-263-0255 cell 512-801-8153

Departure: around 10:00 AM Arrive:  
anytime after 8:00 AM should be some  
refreshments.

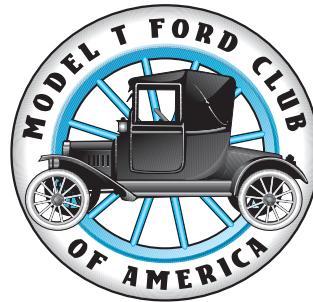
Total tour is 62 miles. 37 through the  
Dripping Springs hill country before our lunch  
stop and 25 to get back home.

Stopping at the home of Jeff Goodson. Jeff  
has a beautiful home on about 50 acres and is  
a collector of guns and Texas history artifacts.  
Lunch will be served at the Goodson house.

Directions to the Treadwell house. From  
Austin... Come out on Hwy 290 west  
towards Dripping Springs. Well before you get  
into Dripping (about 5 miles from the "Y") you  
will turn right onto Fitzhugh Road...there is a  
traffic light. Go 5-1/2 miles on Fitzhugh road  
to Fitzhugh Place...it is right after a stop sign  
at Trautwein road. Turn left into Fitzhugh  
Place subdivision. We are the second house  
on the right and the first asphalt driveway.  
There is a high point in the ditch, in front of  
the property, that you can use to drive into  
the trailer area.



# 39th Annual Texas T-Party



**September 28 - October 2, 2016  
Stephenville, Texas**

## HOTEL INFORMATION

Planning is well underway for this years tour, we are very excited to announce that we will be attending the Ranger Fly-In & Airshow on Saturday, October 1st along with many other stops and events.

We are planning on driving Wednesday, September 28th, the rates below are good from Monday, September 26th thru Sunday, October 2nd.

Below is the hotel information - it is EXTREMELY URGENT that you make your reservations NOW! The hotels completely fill up in Stephenville on this weekend due to the Tarlington University homecoming game and events. While you can book your rooms now you can cancel later if necessary.

### HOST HOTEL:

**Holiday Inn Express** - 121 S. Lockhart, Stephenville, TX  
254-965-8899 - Use the Block Code - TTP  
*All rooms are non smoking and No Pets*

**Rates: 1 King or 2 Queens - \$89.00 + tax = \$100.57 per night**

### 1st OVERFLOW HOTEL:

**La Quinta Inn & Suites**- 105 Christy Plaza, Stephenville, TX  
254-918-2444 - Use the Block Code - TTP  
*All rooms are non smoking, ACCEPTS PETS!*

**Rates: 1 King - \$115.00 + tax / 2 Double Bed - \$105.00 + tax  
1 Suite available - \$125.00 + tax**

### RV PARKING:

**Lost Creek RV Park** - 1962 US 281, Stephenville, TX  
254-965-6223 - Ask for Jason - No Rates Available until after May 1st

Please contact Kathy Harris - 214-801-5288 or khdh59@yahoo.com if you have questions or need assistance.



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# COUNT US IN!

Below is the 2016 pre-registration form that you can complete and bring with a \$25.00 deposit (checks preferred) to the banquet on Saturday night - or mail back to the address below.

This will hold your spot for next years tour and not have to do a full registration until the middle of 2016.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check out for to Space City T's  
in the amount of \$25.00 & mail to:

Kathy Harris  
1014 Montclair Drive  
Garland, TX 75040

We will contact you after the first of the year with all reservation and registration information.



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Planet has  
donated  
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**Celebrates its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**



# **CRAWFISH BOIL**

**Sponsored by Blue Bonnet Auxiliary**



**MARCH 26, 2016**  
**12:00 P.M.**

**HILL COUNTRY CARE**  
**1505 WEST HWY 290**  
**DRIPPING SPRINGS, TX. 78620**

**Crawfish brought from Louisiana, cooked on site!**  
**Live music, drinks and dancing!**

**Come join the fun with the residents and families of Hill Country Care.**  
**\$10.00 Suggested Donation**

**Special Thanks to the Carter & Smith families for picking  
up the crawfish, preparing it and cooking it!!!**

Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies Model T Ford Club - Send mail to Joyce Shierlow, P.O.  
Box 70, Manchaca, TX 76652

Email to [joycencharles@SBCGLOBAL.NET](mailto:joycencharles@SBCGLOBAL.NET)

The Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies meet monthly (except December) on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Sonic Building, 4513 Burleson Road, Austin, TX. Refreshments and a program follow the meeting. Visitors are welcome! New Members are even more welcome!

President - Robert Norberg Board: Juan Barrazza

Vice President- John Anderson

Secretary - Joyce Shierlow George Brunner

Treasurer - Jan Donnell Vic Donnell

Webmaster - Randy Brown

Send items for the website to Randy at [modeltspeedster@yahoo.com](mailto:modeltspeedster@yahoo.com) and items for the newsletter to John at [janders@swbell.net](mailto:janders@swbell.net)

**[www.centextinlizzies.org](http://www.centextinlizzies.org)**

## Calendar:

March 15 – Meeting Program-John Anderson Refreshments – Joe Pinnelli

April 19 – Meeting Program **Open** Refreshments- Joyce Shierlow

May 14 – T Fords of Texas Model T Show at Texas Museum of Trans.

May 17 – Meeting Program- John Anderson Refreshments – Bob & Karen Ross

June 19 – Father's Day Antique Car Show

June 21 – Meeting Program-Joe Pinnelli Refreshments- Vic, Jan, & George

July 19- Meeting Program-**Open** Refreshments- Steve & Cynthia

August 16- Meeting Program **Open**

September 20 – Meeting Program **Open**

Sept 28- Oct 2 – Texas T Party

October 18 – Meeting **Open**

November 15 – Meeting **Open**

December – Christmas Party