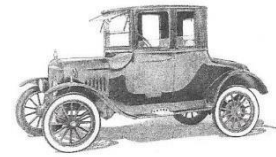


# Band Chatter



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Tom had to use his old car because his modern is in the body shop.

# President's Message



## CenTex Tin Lizzie Members

It's been an interesting time since last month on the 18<sup>th</sup> when Peggy turned into the HEB shopping center and the passenger rear door was the point of impact from an oncoming vehicle. No one was hurt, but we have been down to one vehicle except for the antiques. It has made for some interesting juggling of schedules. I took the 1921 Touring to a doctor's appointment ( see photo enclosed) the other day, which of course gathered a lot of onlookers. Everything worked well, which was nice. One excited fellow took many pictures. He said in very broken English that he was from Ukraine.

In another drive, which fell into the reason of "just to see if I could", I drove the 1929 A to my daughter's, some 22 miles away. I made it ok but had to stop about halfway and let my legs out to unfold. The rehab is going well but is not far enough along to allow full fold up for very long. That trip revealed two noises that will have to have Ross's activity to remove. There always seems to be something.

You have heard me say that the reason we drive these cars is to find out what is wrong with them and there is always something wrong.

I surely do hope that someone in the club has a desire and means to purchase the Spillers Roadster. It would be so good for it to stay in the Austin area. I would buy it myself except that there is no room for more cars!

Our meeting speaker is to talk about Santa Claus. Do I dare tell my wife?

I look forward to seeing you Tuesday evening, at 5:30 for supper and 7:00 for the meeting at the Catfish Parlor on Ben White, May16.

Tom Romberg  
President



Model T Tip of the Month: A Forgotten Model T (Episode 9) Engine Assembly Part 1 - YouTube

This is a series of 18 YouTube videos on restoring a Model T in England that hadn't been run in 30 years. Very interesting.

If you read this on your computer just click on the YouTube tip and it will take you to the YouTube program.

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023**



**MEETING of THE CENTEX TIN LIZZIES**



**Programs set up For This Year:**

May: *Jim Easterday* Lone Star Santa's,

A 501 C 3 non-profit. Members do Events, parades, hospital ls, children Events with Santa Claus and Christmas lovers who come in period costume. (Members join. Who love Christmas and love playing Mr. or Mrs. Claus ) Classic Cars with Santa in them make great treats for towns parades and kids!! *This group might be a great connection for Model T Christmas lovers..*

June: Bob Ross will have a program on the Model Ts and their Advertisements.



*Members:?? Do you have a speaker or topic you want to hear about...contact Britanie 512-848-8503 [brit@btsjobs.com](mailto:brit@btsjobs.com). we need to full July- November months!*



## Events Coming Up:

1. **2023 69<sup>th</sup> TEXAS TOUR –SCHULENBURG, TX** starts Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> thru May 21<sup>st</sup>. For more information see flyer in the newsletter.

2. **MAY 20<sup>th</sup> SAT- DARLINS DINNER - Classic Car hop “ MUFFINS AND MUFFLERS “ FLATONIA TEXAS \$ 30 per car cash prizes- food beverages etc.**

We're hosting a Classic Car Show!! Calling anyone and everyone with classics to enter our show! 11am – 4pm Text to 361-865-4082

3. **May 20<sup>th</sup> Other: Smithville Texas MAY 20<sup>th</sup>**

Fat Cat Lounge on MIAN STREET is doing a GREAT GATSBY 1920s them day and night gathering with food and music 1920s. Would love to have 1920s cars out front displayed – if interested in Smithville Texas - contact Fat Cat Lounge

4. **July 28-30<sup>th</sup> [Hill Country Swap Meet](#)** Lady Bird Johnson Park in Fredericksburg

5. **Sept 16, 2023 [San Antonio Early Ford Car Show](#) at the Texas Transportation Museum, 11731 Wetmore Road. San Antonio TX 78247 SAN ANTONIO - EARLY FORD CAR SHOW** featuring 1903-1953 Fords 10am – 4pm

6. **Sept 30- Oct 1<sup>st</sup> – SAN ANTONIO MODEL Ts / Kingsbury Texas** Group will be doing a 2 day event – we are welcome to come and join they would just like to know how many might be coming – might be a good event to gather together for. Ford Model T Fun Day. A two day event with Ford Model T games and challenges

**\*\*\*\* I would like to suggest we incorporate this into the AUSTIN CENTEX LIZZIE calendar and we join the SA club and do a joint gathering!**

7. **Oct 18-21<sup>st</sup> Texas T Party 2023.** Based in Rockport, Texas. Largest annual gathering of Model Ts in Texas. Visit [2023 Texas T Party](#) for more information and the tour application form

**\*\*\* lets get a head count whose going from TIN LIZZIE -- I am registered – I can help others with booking HOTEL or AIR BnB house**

8. **Sat Nov 11<sup>th</sup> [Antique Aircraft Fly-In](#)** Kingsbury Aerodrome, 190 Pershing Lane, Kingsbury TX 78638



## History of Traffic Lights (Cont. from last Newsletter)

Before traffic lights, traffic police controlled the flow of traffic. A well-documented example is that on London Bridge in 1722. Three men were given the task of directing traffic coming in and out of either London or Southwark. Each officer would help direct traffic coming out of Southwark into London and he made sure all traffic stayed on the west side of the bridge. A second officer would direct traffic on the east side of the bridge to control the flow of people leaving London and going into Southwark.

On 9 December 1868, the first non-electric gas-lit traffic lights were installed outside the Houses of Parliament in London to control the traffic in Bridge Street, Great George Street, and Parliament Street. They were proposed by the railway engineer J. P. Knight of Nottingham, England who had adapted this idea from his design of railway signaling systems and constructed by the railway signal engineers of Saxby & Farmer. The main reason for the traffic light was that there was an overflow of horse-drawn traffic over Westminster Bridge which forced thousands of pedestrians to walk next to the Houses of Parliament. The design combined three semaphore arms with red and green gas lamps for night-time use, on a pillar, operated by a police constable. The gas lantern was manually turned by a traffic police officer with a lever at its base so that the appropriate light faced traffic. The signal was 22 feet (6.7 m) high. The light was called the semaphore and had arms that would extend horizontally that commanded drivers to "Stop" and then the arms would lower to a 45 degrees angle to tell drivers to proceed with "Caution". At night a red light would command "Stop" and a green light would mean use "Caution". Although it was said to be successful at controlling traffic, its operational life was brief. It exploded on 2 January 1869 as a result of a leak in one of the gas lines underneath the pavement and injured the policeman who was operating it. (Continued in the next newsletter)

See the Figure below for the Semaphore Signal from England.



Honking your car horn for a couple that just got married is an old superstition to insure great sex.



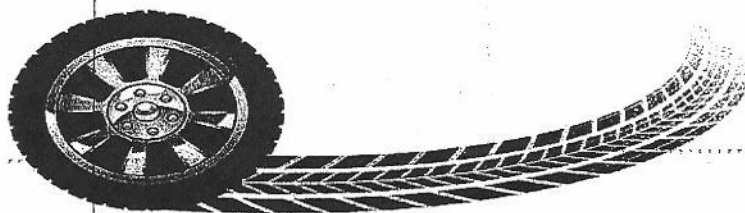
### Did You Know:

Most Disney movies kill off one or more of the parents or family members.

101 Dalmatians, Peter Pan, Lady, WALL-E, and the Tramp, and Mulan are some of the only Disney cartoons where both parents are present and don't die throughout the movie.



# Wheelin' Thru Texas



## 69<sup>th</sup> Texas Tour 2023 Exploring the Schulenburg Area with AACA Golden Crescent Region May 18-May 21, 2023

On behalf of the Antique Automobile Club of America – Golden Crescent Region, I would like to invite you to attend this year's Texas Tour in Schulenburg, Texas. Our plan is to have a weekend of fun driving adventures as we share our mutual hobby. We want to encourage all to join in. We have built in time for visiting, relaxing, games, and shopping, hopefully something for everyone.

Thursday May 18 - Registration will open around one o'clock in the host hotel, and early bird tours will be provided to some of the local attractions. The Welcome Party will be provided in the park.

Friday May 19 - We will start the day off with car judging and a ladies' event and then off to our planned tour to see a local car collection and have lunch. We will visit one or more painted churches that date back to late 1800's early 1900's. The evening banquet will be at Sengelmann's for some German food, along with a Hobo band. Should be quite an interesting evening.

Saturday May 20 – We will tour more of the back roads to Round Top, a unique small town with many attractions, such as Festival Hill and antique and art galleries for everyone to explore. Lunch will be on your own. The closing banquet with awards will be held at Senglemann's.

Sunday May 21 - We say our goodbyes until the next Texas Tour.

We hope that you will join us on this Wheelin Thru Texas Tour

Your Tour Host,

Gary East

Tour Chairman

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#### Hotel Information:

##### **Holiday Inn Express and Suites**

200 Heinrich Street, Schulenburg, Texas

Call direct and ask for 69<sup>th</sup> Texas Tour rate (979) 743-2301

\$129 for 1 King/\$139 for 2 Queens Suites available – ask for rates (sleeps 4)

Last date to reserve is April 24 – 3 weeks before event to guarantee group rates –

Breakfast included with all rooms (continental with hot foods)

Visit web site for more information and pictures of location

<https://www.booking.com/hotel/us/suites-shulenburg.html>

#### Overflow Hotel -

**Schulenburg Inn** 101 Huser Blvd Schulenburg, TX 979-743-2030 next door –

Call direct and ask for 69<sup>th</sup> Texas Tour \$85.99

Schulenburg RV Park – I-10 and Hwy 77 South, Exit 674 (979) 743-4988

#### Did You Know?

More people are killed annually by donkeys than airplane crashes.



## TIN LIZZIE MARKETPLACE

The family of our old friend have decided to sell Roger and Carolyn Spillers 1924 Roadster, and they would like to offer it to members of the Tin Lizzies. It would be fantastic to keep it in our local area. Jeff Treadwell and I were able to get the car started and driving with very little effort. Fresh gas, a good battery and air in the tires did the trick.

The car has remained in Roger's family since new in 1924, which is remarkable in itself. Sometime in the 90's, Roger restored it with new paint, top and upholstery, so it looks fantastic for a 99 year old car.

Features include: Ruckstell two speed axle, Rocky Mountain brakes, speedometer, spare tire and as mentioned good paint and interior. Jeff took it for a spin and remarked that it runs a whole lot faster than his.

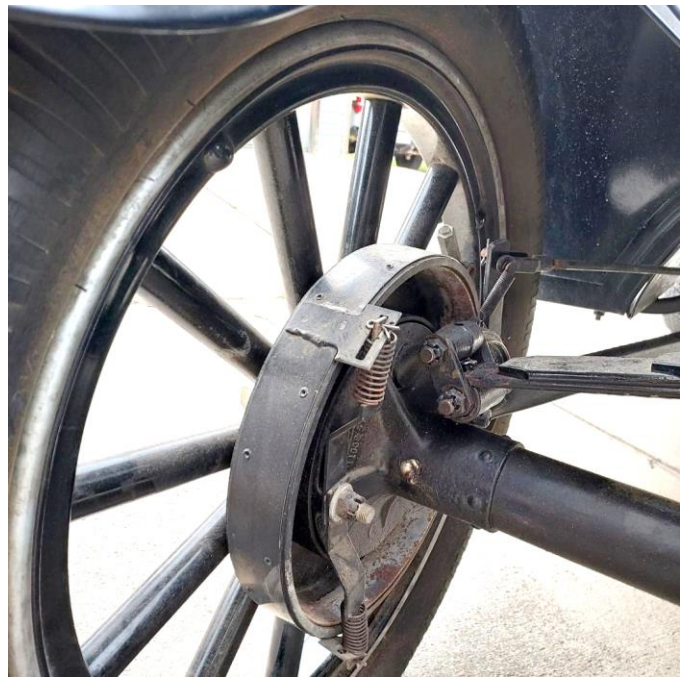
They are asking \$14,500 and this includes a whole lot of extra parts.

You can reach out to John Spillers for more info: [jmspillers@yahoo.com](mailto:jmspillers@yahoo.com)

I am attaching some pictures (dust and all). If possible, please post the information in the next newsletter and forward this email to the members, as I don't have the complete list of email addresses.

Thanks!

Randy

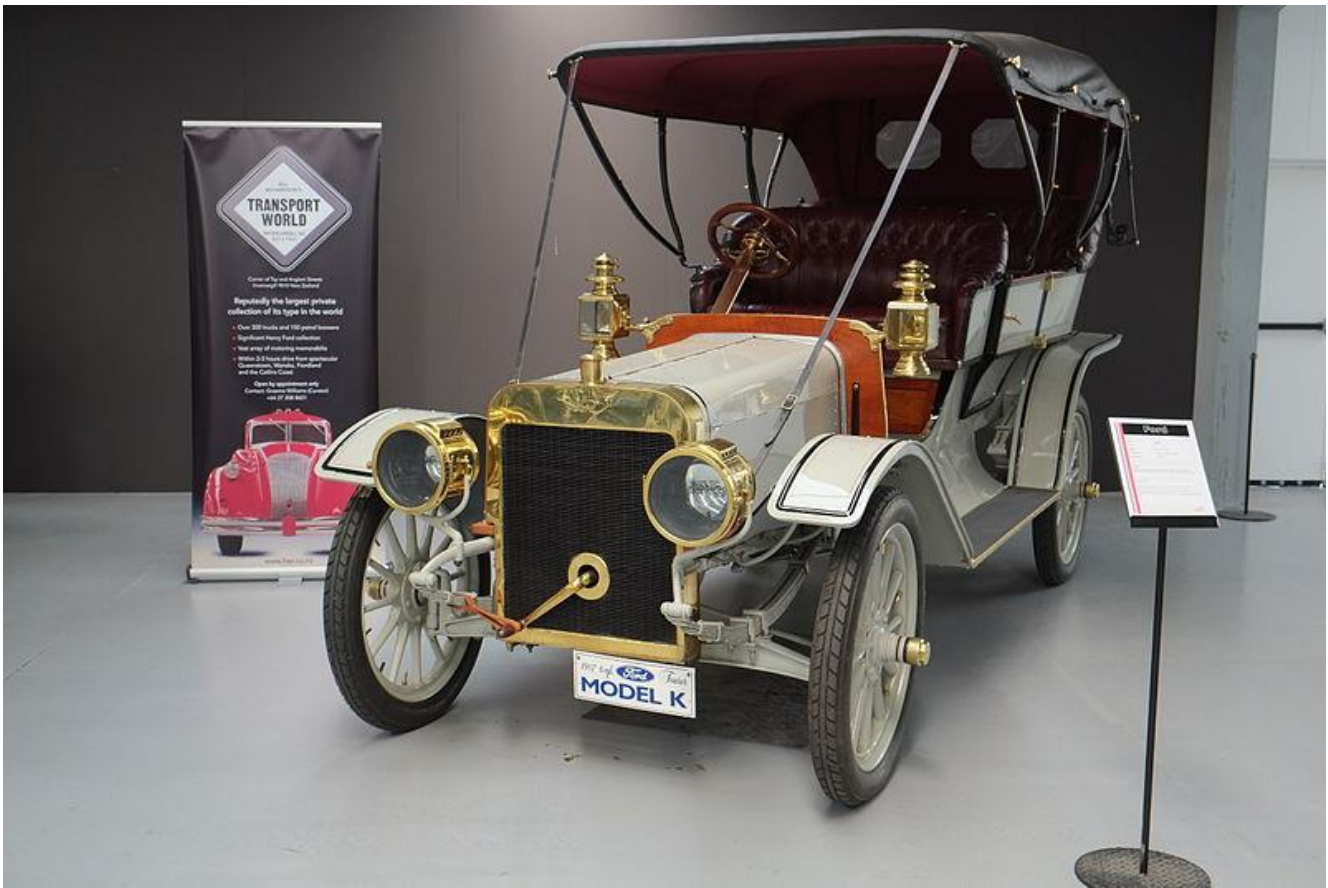




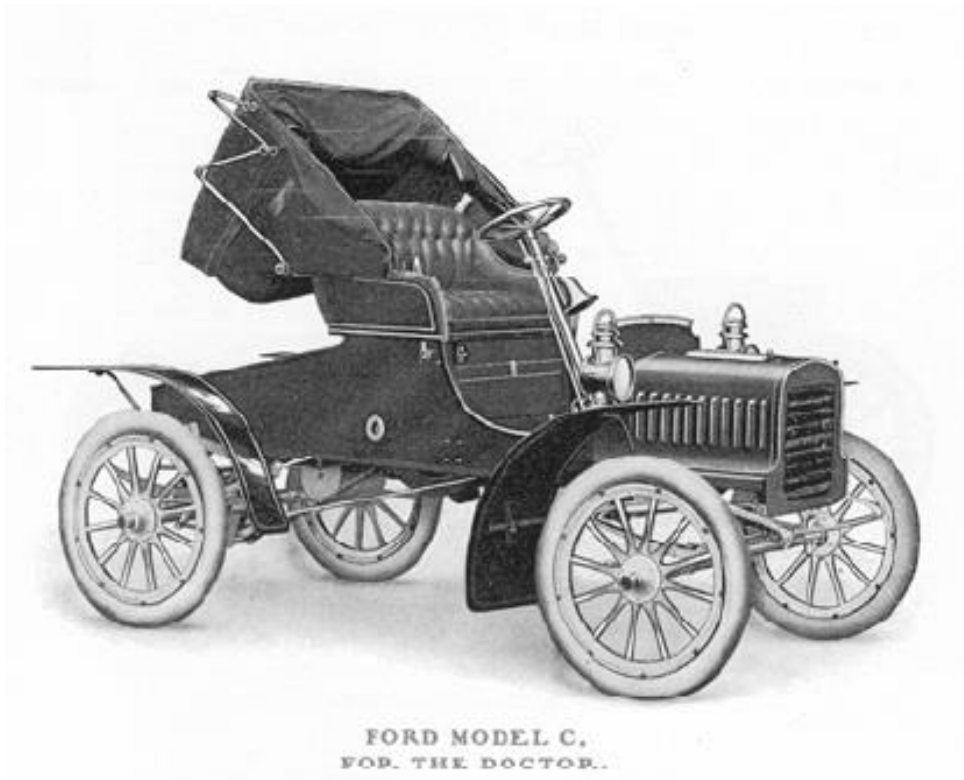
More Pictures I have of Early Ford Models



1903 Ford Model B Touring Car



1907 Ford Model K Touring Car



1905 Ford Model C Doctors Coupe

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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