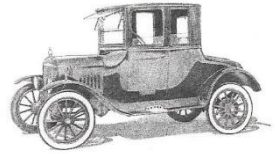


# Band Chatter



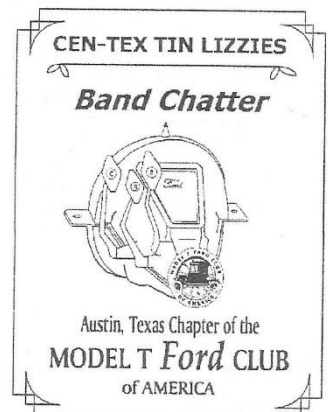
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## Great Weather for Kingsbury 2019!



Don't miss Tin  
Lizzies 2019  
Christmas Party  
Saturday  
December 7<sup>th</sup>  
Salt Grass  
Restaurant  
11:30 to 2 PM





**MINUTES OF THE October 2019 MEETING  
By Secretary Joyce Shierlow**

At 7PM on October 15, 2019 Acting President, Vice President Joe Pinnelli called the meeting to order welcoming 17 members and no visitors to the regular monthly meeting of the Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies.

Joe asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes as printed in the Band Chatter. There were none so Tom Romberg made a motion to accept the minutes as printed and Bob Ross seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jan Donnell gave the treasurer's report stating that there is a healthy bank balance. Glenn Schiller made a motion to accept the report as given and George Brunner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There were no new members to report.

Karen Ross reported that J.C. Carter's daughter's father-in-law had suffered a heart attack and death so J.C. isn't present this evening as he is helping to deal with that situation.

John Anderson was thanked for his work on the Band Chatter. Randy Brown was asked if there were any new inquiries for the web site and he said "no".

The annual Fly-In will be on November 9<sup>th</sup>. We will meet in Martindale at 9am where the Model T's will be off-loaded from the trailers and then will be driven to the airport in Kingsbury, stopping for lunch on the way.

Debbie Cartwright gave her report for the upcoming Christmas Party. It will be held at the Salt Grass Restaurant on Hwy 183 North, on Dec 7<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 AM until 2 PM. Each person is to bring an unwrapped toy for the Brown Santa Christmas.

October is the month that we nominate the officers for the upcoming year. The nominating committee consists of Joe Pinnelli, John Anderson and George Brunner. They are nominating the following slate: President—Joe Pinnelli, Board of Directors: J.C. Carter

Vice-President—Tom Romberg

George Brunner

Secretary-- Steve Hadorn

Drew Patterson

Treasurer—Jan Donnell

Vic Donnell

Sunshine Reporter—Karen Ross

Band Chatter—John Anderson

Website Master—Randy Brown

50/50 Raffle Master—Glenn Schiller

Program Chair—Debbie Cartwright

Membership Chair—Joyce Shierlow

The election of officers will be held at the November meeting so try to be there to cast your vote or nominate someone else for one of the offices before the nominations are closed.

Show and Tell: Randy Brown won the prize for his catalog of wooden Model T truck bodies.

After the cookie/cobbler break the 50/50 raffle was held and Debbie Cartwright won and she donated it back to the club.

John Anderson had planned to show a video for the program, however the video did not project properly so the meeting was adjourned at 7:35PM.

# Vice President- Acting President's Message



Hello, Tin Lizzies!

We had a great time at the Pioneer Flight Museum's Fly-in. We departed Martindale at about 10:15 and had lunch at Frank's in Fentress. Then we were off to the Fly-in. We had perfect weather. The Fly-in was well attended by Model T's, Classic Cars and many of airplanes of all ages. As always, the folks at the Flight Museum were pleased to have us and were exceptional host. Attendance for the general public was at an all-time high.

## Big Boy

Some of us were able to see Big Boy's passing through. Vic and Jan went to San Antonio to see him. Carlton and I saw him in Luling. Quit the spectacle.

## T Hospital News

I don't know much hospital news. Minnie Lee is still under the weather. Jan and Vic made the Fly-in tour in their fabulous 62 Lincoln.

We will vote on the nominating committee's slate of officers and board members at Tuesday's meeting.

Our Tuesday meeting will be fun.

I have the program.

We will be looking at a photo overview of the Brenham T party, the Fly-in and the one million, two hundred thousand pound, Big Boy.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday and at the Christmas Party December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday!

*Joe Pinnelli*

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## October Show and Tell Winner



Randy Brown



Who will be the  
winner in November?

## Tin Lizzie Past



## “The Belt”

By Tom Romberg

### Chapter 1

As I was preparing the 1923 Model T Depot Hack to go on the 2019 Texas T Party Tour in Brenham I lubricated and greased every spot I could reach. When on the front spring perches the oil ran out almost as fast as I squirted it in, I decided to change the worn perches and the shackles. Oh, I gave a little thought to trying to rehabilitate them myself and had replacement sleeves on hand, but after a failed start on that path, decided to order new ones from the trusty supply house. Wise decision! The old left perch came out easily. Putting the new one in was a somewhat difficult alignment issue, but it was accomplished.

The right one was rusted in place and took a major cheater bar and WD40 to remove. But it finally came loose and was fitted into place. The front end was tight and drove very nicely.

I then turned to the distributor lubrication with just a dab of grease and noticed that the old leather belt seemed to be quite loose. Checking the adjustment bolts and rotation indicated that it was already adjusted as tight as it could be. I could turn the fan blade by hand with little if any effort. Thinking that I was running out of time to get the car ready, and giving in to my tendency to “do it myself” and worse yet to operate in “ranch mode” (town is far away so we will just make do with what we have), I decided to just make a new belt.

So first I removed the old belt and proceeded to try and figure out how to measure the size length necessary to fit and be able to be tightened. Did I measure the inside or the outside? Was I sure just how much difference the oval adjustment created? Well no, I wasn’t quite sure just how long to make it or even how to tell someone else to make it, but that certainly was not going to get in my way or stop me from making a new belt.

So off I went to the Austin Shoe Repair shop in the neighborhood. I asked “Did they have any leather at this store?” No, the answer was. Well, did they have a stitcher at this store? No, said the attendant, but he did have some advice. I could go to Tandy Leather over in Capital Plaza and get some leather and then I could go to the Austin Shoe Repair on Burnet Road, where they have a stitcher to have it glued and sewn together. So off I went in my modern truck. The belt blank only cost \$27 with tax. So that did not seem too bad and off I went to Burnet Road. They said that yes they could do it, but they wanted me to in fact mark what length was needed. He for sure did not want to be responsible for the correct length which needed to be one half inch shorter than the old belt that I had with me. So I marked it with what length I wanted and was told that it would be \$ 29. Well, that was a little more than I had hoped for, but I needed the belt and they could do it, so I said yes.

But then he told me that it would be 4 days before I could get it. So we had another discussion. Finally, he asked when did I actually need it. I said that I could wait until Monday and he said that I could come and get it on Saturday. Actually they called and I picked it up on Friday. It looked good, but it was only stitched across, not quite as secure as I would have liked.

Continued next month















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The Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies meet monthly (except December) on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the **Catfish Parlor, 4705 E. Ben White**, Austin, TX. Visitors are welcome! New Members are even more welcome!

President - Joe Pinnelli

Board: John Anderson, George Brunner,  
J. C. Carter, and Vic Donnell

Vice President

Secretary - Joyce Shierlow

Treasurer - Jan Donnell

Webmaster - Randy Brown

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**November 19-Monthly Meeting --Joe Pinnelli- 2019**

**December 7-Annual Christmas Party**