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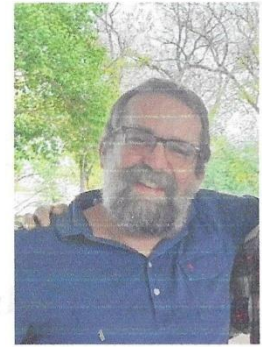
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



“It’s a good deal!” was what I heard time and again at the Fredericksburg Swap Meet. That got me to thinking that either all the deals were mutually positive or those of us on the losing end of a transaction just don’t say much of anything.

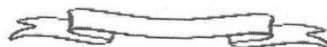
I went with Alex and his mentor, and it was slow going as they were looking for specialty tools and specific new old stock. I didn’t even know what most of the stuff they were looking at and had to be careful about asking too many questions and making it clear I barely know my way around a car! I can say that I have a better eye for Model T parts now and can differentiate them from Model A parts to some degree. Unfortunately, I didn’t see much - a couple of crates of old (and likely unrestorable) coils, a few good coils (but someone was already testing those by the time I saw them), and then a couple of nice three-part fluid containers for the Model T. I looked hard at those but talked myself out of them due to a combination of cost and potentially limited utility (like holes and/or repaired holes).

So, I mostly functioned as a mule for my son and the three of us made the long walk to our vehicles with either a box, a tool box, or both in our hands!

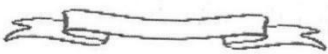
The Swap Meet was hot and the rest of the days are too! So now might be a good time to get online and look at the updates Juan made to the Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies Website. The old information is still there but Juan has made some great improvements to the site. I encourage you to check it out and, if you have any ideas, please share them.

Everyone definitely needs to log in and look at the information for members and update their profile. I hope that you will visit it frequently and use the new features to help us meet our club goals. If you have any questions, please reach out to me or Juan and we can help.

Glen

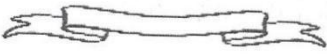


Did you Know: Lady Liberty wears a size 879 shoe. It’s no secret that the Statue of Liberty is a mighty monument. The copper section alone is 151 feet and one inch tall. But if Lady Liberty needed a new pair of sandals, it would take size 879 shoes to cover her massive feet.



Secretary's Report

Respectively submitted by Joe P.



Automotive Firsts

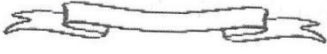
This will be a series of automotive firsts, like the first car manufacturer to add as standard equipment and one of the standard equipment that we expect on our normal cars of today. This is like windshield wipers, automatic transmission, power brakes, etc.

Stability Control Helped Stop Skids

ESC or electronic stability control helps correct a skid if a car starts to slide. It is, in effect, an ESC or electronic stability control helps correct a skid if a car starts to slide. It is, in effect, an improvement in the anti-lock brake systems that preceded it. ESC produces a marked improvement in car safety, especially during emergency situations.

As ESC yaw sensors detect a slide, the system applies the brakes to individual wheels to help correct the skid and straighten the car. Some ESC systems also take control of the throttle to manage power to each wheel.

Mercedes-Benz and BMW brought ESC to their luxury car market in the mid-1990s. In 2011, ESC became a legal requirement in passenger cars in many countries.



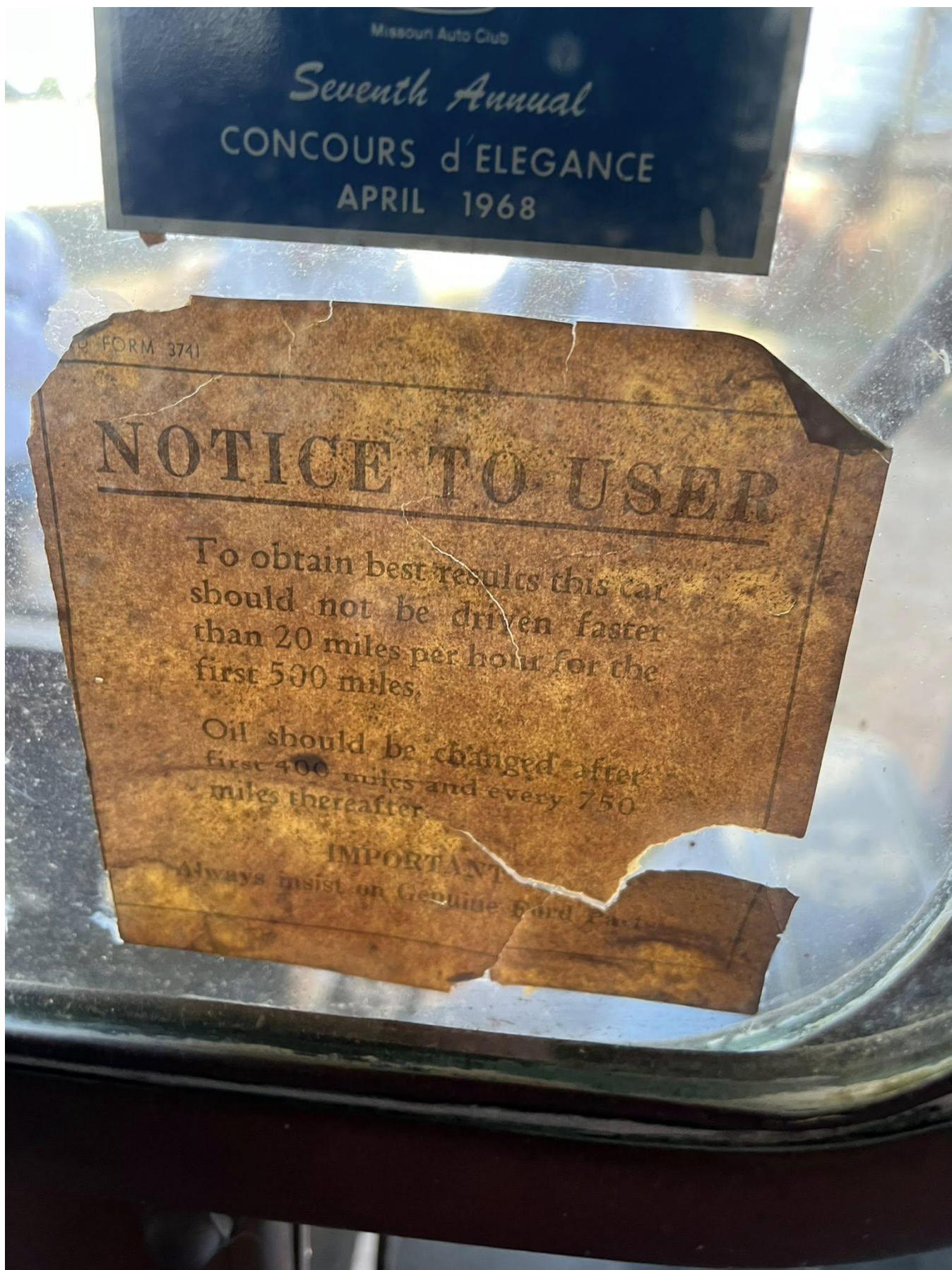
Coming Events:

1. Aug 6th Cars in Smithville, TX - Main St between 2nd & 3rd St. (Monthly 1st Thursday)
2. Aug 15th Pistons on the Square Georgetown, TX - Square (Monthly 3rd Saturday)
3. Aug 16th Round Rock Car Show - Round Rock, TX – Centennial Plaza (Monthly 3rd Sunday)

4. Aug 18th Regular Meeting @ 6:30PM – Catfish Parlour - Speaker TBD
5. Aug 20th Coffee with Cars – Dripping Springs – (Monthly last Sunday on Month)
6. September 23-26, 2026 - 62nd STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - Sept 23-26, 2026 - International Meet – Waxahachie. Host Hotel: Residence Inn, 275 Rae Blvd, Waxahachie Civic Center 2000 Civic Center Blvd
7. Oct 7-10th Texas T Party Columbus, TX
8. Nov 5th AACA – Road Relics Car Show & Tell - Belmont Village, West Lake Hills, TX
9. Dec 6th Christmas Party – Time and location TBD



A Historical Fact: A human's entire circulatory system—we're talking veins, arteries and capillaries—were laid out flat, it would stretch for more than 60,000 miles. That's long enough to go around the Earth almost two and a half times



1909 Ford Model T Window Sticker



1912 Ford Model T Commercial Roadster



1926 Ford Model TT C-Cab Stake Truck

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:** - Bob Ross - **Board of Directors:** Drew Patterson – J.C. Carter – Vic Donnell – George Brunner – Britanie Olivera - **Treasurer:** - Randy Brown - **Secretary:** - Joe Pinnelli - **Membership Chair:** -Open - **Web Master:** - Juan Barraza - **Newsletter Editor:** - Bob Ross - 50/50: Open **Send Items for the Website** to Juan at: jbarazza08@gmail.com and **Items for the Newsletter** to Bob Ross at barneyr70@gmail.com 1926 Ford Model TT Truck

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