



## TIN LIZZIES NEWS

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### Tin Lizzies and Elvis in Mississippi He even drove a Model T!



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#### *President's Message*

Sometimes in your life you have to make decisions, some are easy and some are very difficult. Lois and I have just been thru that. We had to make a decision to go on the Model T fall tour that we had

been planning for a year or to go and be with a very dear friend that was going thru a serious operation for cancer. We decided to go and be with our friend during this difficult time. As we walked thru the door at her home and

saw the smile on her face and the tears in her eyes, we knew that we had made the correct decision. The operation went well and she is home recovering.

I have heard from several sources that the Model T tour and

#### *2011 Schedule of Events*

- Winter Technical Meeting  
Feb. 18-19
- Spring Meeting/Tour  
April 14-16
- Summer Meeting/Tour  
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- Fall Meeting/Tour  
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- Optional Fall Foliage Tour  
Oct./Nov.

meeting in Mississippi was a success. Thanks to David Ragsdale and Mike Walker.

I also heard that we have an excellent slate of officers for the upcoming 2011 year. Thanks to Bill Howell and his nominating committee.

The people stepping up to fill in the voids and running a successful fall tour indicates to me that our club has matured and we are ready to push the envelope in the upcoming years. I feel that we need to run some additional progressive tours in

2011 and then host a Regional tour.

I have enjoyed the role of President for 2010 and I thank everyone for assisting and planning the interesting tours and the winter educational meeting. Frank Cook, Pres.

## Arkansas Tin Lizzies Business Meeting

On October 2<sup>nd</sup>, the fall meeting of the Arkansas Tin Lizzies was held at the Holiday Inn Express in Corinth, Mississippi. The meeting and tour was set up by Joe Jeffers in Zone 4 but due to illness Joe and Betty were unable to be a part of the gathering. They were missed and everyone hopes Joe gets to feeling better and back together with the group.

Despite the fact that the president and vice president were unable to attend, the club stayed true to form and continued the meeting under the dual leadership of past president Mike Walker and secretary David Ragsdale. The meeting was opened with twenty three members and two guests. Jimmy and Claudette Spicer from the Magnolia Model T club joined the group as guests and probably will be members in the near future if Jimmy gets his chicken coop in order.

After an exciting first day in Tupelo, the meeting was opened with Roy Mathis moving to approve the past club minutes; his motion was seconded by Rex Poe.

David reported that the club account balance is at \$2123.05. There were two checks totaling \$218.13 paid for touring expenses on the summer progressive tour. These were paid to Tom Patris and Bill Freeman for providing the trouble trucks. A check for \$100.00 was written to Charlie Watson for the Tupelo Lunch event which included lunch and show. David explained that each member that attended had paid \$20.00 for the event already and that money was paid to Charlie Watson with the cash along with the \$100.00 club check. The \$100.00 will be deposited back into the account next week minus the \$39.00 charges for the event T-shirts that were given out as gifts. Since the last meeting, there have been two deposits totaling \$115.00. Regions Bank started charging for check imaging fee on our account in August. secretary David Ragsdale called and had the account type changed so fees would not be charged. It ended up costing the club after all was said and done \$1.18.

## October 2, 2010

Corinth Tourism is supposed to be returning \$5.00 per room for everyone who stayed at the Holiday Inn Express back to our club account. So this will end up being a profitable weekend for the club in more ways than one.

### Meeting Summary

1. Attendance 23 and 2 guests.
2. Bank balance \$2,123.05.
3. Three members welcomed.
4. 2011 officers elected.
5. 2011 meetings set.
6. Door prizes given.

We welcomed new members Charlie & Judy Mcillwain and Bob & Evelyn Battershell to their first meeting and tour with our club. We look forward to seeing them at future events! Also, we received a new application to our club from Curt and Pam Harris from Van Buren who we also hope to meet at future events.

Mike Walker reported on the officer nominations for 2011 as

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## Mississippi Tour, Great End to 2010



The Arkansas Tin Lizzies have completed the last tour of our 6th year as a club. At this point we have 63 member families from 7 states and our tours have matured with our club.

This tour was centered in Corinth, MS which is in the NE corner of the state. Several of our members who are located along the Gulf Coast attended. They are members of other clubs as well, and we always enjoy their participation with the Arkansas Tin Lizzies.

The first day took us to Shiloh National Military Park, the site of one of the bloodiest Civil War battles. Then on to the

Buford Pusser home and museum and Mike Brown's car collection.

The second day took us along the Natchez Trace, arguably the best Model T road anywhere. The speed limit on the Trace is 50 mph and commercial traffic of any kind is prohibited. Our Trace trek took us to Tupelo, where we viewed the awesome Tupelo Auto Museum. They have on display about 150 cars, from an 1880's Benz replica through a 2010 Prius. It was a veritable stroll through the history of the automobile.

Lunch was quite an entertain-

ing event. The group went to the Silver Moon Club where there was an Elvis Presley show that everyone enjoyed. "Elvis" himself sang, swayed and even drove a Model T.

On Saturday after a tour of the restored Jacinto Courthouse, we attended a car show hosted by the local club and we were given a police escort through the city of Corinth to our special display area. The show was mostly comprised of street rods and a few restored cars. A particularly unusual one, a '29 Packard 7-Passenger Limousine street rod was nicely done.

## January 30, 2010 Business Meeting Minutes

follows: President Bill Howell (zone 3), Vice President Rex Poe (zone 3), Secretary/Treasurer Nellie Howell (zone 3). Directors: Earl Zechiedrich (zone 1), Mike Bender (zone 1), Ron Wood (zone 4). No other nominations were brought to the floor. A motion to accept the nominations by acclamation was made by Bill Payne and seconded by Marcus Beard. All the members present voted to elect the above slate of officers.

2011 meetings were discussed. The winter technical meeting will be held February

18-19 and hosted by the River Valley zone at the Howell's car barn. Earl Zechiedrich will plan the spring meeting and tour in Eureka Springs in April. Ron Wood will direct the meeting and tour this summer in the southern zone. The fall tour will be done by Mike Bender at Queen Wilhelmina State Park. An optional tour will be during the fall foliage period. The date will be announced later and be planned by Rex Poe. Bill Payne suggested having a Christmas party but the idea failed with no discussion. No further old business or no new

business were discussed.

A tour t-shirts were presented to Bob & Evelyn Battershell for the tour "hard luck award." They made a couple wrong turns and had a little mechanical problem along the way. Tena Ragsdale presented dish towels with her hand tatting to the new member couples.

With a final thought, "Whatever happens in Tupelo, stays there!" the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

David Ragsdale

## Mississippi Tour

We couldn't have ordered any better weather -- cool mornings, warm afternoons and no rain, day or night. We had 16 Model T's participating and a couple of local guys in modern cars (Model A's) joined us and guided us through some very nice touring roads. One Model A guy was so impressed that he is now looking for a T to buy. All in all, it was a great tour and I can't wait for the next one.

By Mike Walker



The following are tour pictures, Clockwise starting lower left: Natchez Trace, Tupelo Auto Museum, Model R Ford.



## Other Tour Pics:



Clockwise beginning top left: '29 Packard Limo, Restored Jacinto Courthouse, "Elvis", Silver Moon Club.



## This and That!

### New Members

We have three new members to add to our 62 families that are paid members on the Tin Lizzies' role as of October 2010. They are Charlie and Judy McIlwain of Russellville; they own a 1925 Fordor. Also new members are Bob and Evelyn Battershell from London who have a 1924 roadster and Curt and Pam Harris of Van Buren. The Harris' drive a 1923 roadster pickup. Welcome to all of them.

### Sunshine Report

Everyone is sure to be interested in how Joe Jeffers is getting along. Betty reports that he is doing better. He has started back at rehab and making progress. The doctor speculated that the altitude on their summer trip in Montana and South Dakota may have contributed to the breathing problems he was having. We all send our best to Joe and Betty and are ready to have them riding with us soon.

## 2011 Arkansas Tin Lizzies Meeting Schedule

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|--------------|--|
| Feb. 18-19   | Winter Technical Meeting<br>Howell Car Barn (Bill Howell)<br>206 Howell Road; Russellville, AR<br>479-236-3630<br>whh@nwabcs.com |
| April 14-16  | Spring/Dogwood Tour (Earl Zechiedrich)<br>Eureka Springs, AR   |
| July         | Summer Tour (Ron Wood)<br>Central Arkansas<br>501-778-4004<br>ron5wo@aol.com   |
| Sept. 22-25  | Fall Tour/Talimena Scenic Drive (Mike Bender)<br>Queen Wilhelmina State Park<br>918-260-2525<br>tman1913@sbcglobal.net           |
| Oct. or Nov. | Optional Fall Foliage Tour (Rex Poe)<br>501-450-8428<br>rexallenpoe@hotmail.com  |

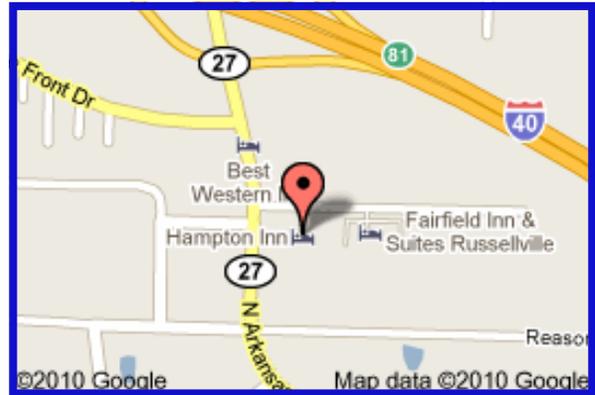
## 2011 Area Events of Interest

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| January 22  | Kansas Club Technical Meeting<br>Hutchison, KS   |
| June<br><i>(date may change to<br/>September)</i> | Hill Climb<br>Chandler Hill Park<br>Tulsa Chapter MTFCA  |
| June 27 -<br>July 1                               | MTFCA National Tour<br>Pincher Creek, Alberta Canada<br><a href="http://www.cowboysandcoalmines.com">www.cowboysandcoalmines.com</a> |

## Winter Technical Meeting in February

This winter's technical meeting will be February 18 and 19. It will begin at 9:00 a.m. on both days. We should have interesting presentations for all our members and guests. Some possibilities are rebuilding a steering column, new crank shafts, tuning your T for spring and checking a T engine before installing it.

Call the Hampton Inn for reservations by February 11. It is located at 2304 North Arkansas Avenue in Russellville (479-858-7199.) The rates for the Arkansas Tin Lizzies will be \$79.00 per night.



From I-40 take exit 81 south on Hwy 7 at Russellville.

## For Sale

### Great 1926 Coupe Still Available

Completely restored with a Ruckstell rear end, hydraulic brakes, aluminum pistons, Model A crank, Z head, Texas T Parts alternator and distributor, 12 volt electrical system, new upholstery, white wall tires and a picture album of the restoration from start to finish. This coupe was driven on two tours and performed wonderfully. It is being sold because the owner has both an open car and another closed car and decided not to keep this coupe. Offered for \$15,000.

**Bill Payne**

(479) 229-3173 or (479) 964-9613



### Need an Open Car Trailer

Chuck Haynes is selling Joe Garcia's open car hauling trailer for him. This trailer was commercially built and is suitable for carrying a T, an A or early V-8. It is a single axle with a bulldog hitch and is complete with ramps and hooks for tie downs. The tires are in fair condition and there is a spare tire as well. It is well built with a treated lumber deck. The asking price is \$600.

**Chuck Haynes**

(479) 567-2440

### 2011 Club Officers:

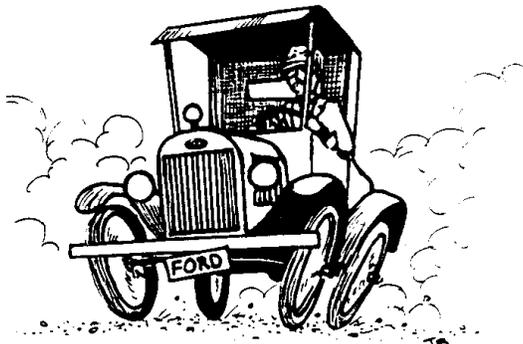
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## Final Tour Pics:



Rex next to one of the confiscated stills on display at the Buford Pusser Museum. Oops, he may have sampled too much of that brew!

