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Tennessee T's



Model T Ford Club

Editor- Bill Robinson

Christmas Party 2018

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Reminder Membership Dues

Please pay dues by January 1, 2019



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Doug Hauge and his parents, Bob & Ruth. Their home and the car pictured were destroyed by Hurricane Michael.

<https://www.gofundme.com/help-bob-ruth-and-doug-hauge>



The Money Bucket
 submitted by Connie Plank,
 club treasurer



As of 12/04/2018		
Starting Balance-	\$3,386.60	
2019 Dues-	450.00	
Less Expenses-	-44.92	
Current Balance-	\$3,791.68	
List of Expenses	\$44.92	Christmas Party

Membership Application [click here](#)

A Message from Ricky Williams Our President



Greetings Model T'ers and Merry Christmas,

Wow I can't believe I just said that! Seems like it was just the other day when we kicked off our Model T year with the Lynn Cook workshop in February, and what a year it has been. Now we have capped the year off with our annual Christmas party.

For those of you that missed it, the Tennessee T's hosted some really good tours this year. Starting off the year with the Cookeville tour which was a tour to pre-run the routes for the national tour in 2019. These were some of the most beautiful roads you will ever see in a Model T. We also did a tour for the MTFCI day of touring, which we ran around the Tennessee River from Parsons TN to Savannah TN. Then in the fall we had the "Not for Sissies Tour" in Pulaski, TN area. What a tour and what great stops and roads we had!

Personally this has been a fun year for me. My first year as the president of the Tennessee T's was a great one. Thanks to all of you for your help in planning and participation in all of our events. It only works if you are a part of what's going on. We had nine new family members to join this year. That is great! Our club now represents 79 families covering 14 different states. Welcome to all our new members. We even had one family to chase us down on the Pulaski tour for lunch to talk about Model T's, and become a member. I still don't know how they ever found us fifty miles away from the hotel.

Just around the corner is 2019 and it is already shaping up to be a banner year for the Tennessee T's. We will start off the year at my shop with the Lynn Cook workshop in February. You are all invited. Then we will have a spring tour where we will be going to the beautiful Reel Foot Lake and then to Union City to visit the Discovery Park of America. We are really fortunate to have these two places in West TN and are excited to be able to share them with the club. In August we will be hosting the MTFCA national tour. I can't wait to show off our beautiful state to other Model T'ers from across the country. This is where I am going to be asking for your help. It is going to take a lot of work to put on a national tour. Please step up and answer the call when asked to volunteer. No matter how small a part you can do, please help with something. Everyone knows how much I love Model T's and their history. I can't wait to see 150 cars in the same spot. This is our opportunity to attend a national tour. I know we are going to have some first time T'ers on tour with us, and after that you will be hooked. God made beautiful Tennessee country side for us to look at out the windshield of a Model T. Don't miss this opportunity.

I hope everyone is on Santa's good list and you get all the Model T parts you need to get your car ready to tour.

Happy Ting
Ricky

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Tours and Events

Contact Ricky Williams, our club President, if you have a tour or event planned to be sure the date is still open. rwilliams@click1.com

Date	Event (Tennessee T's events are bold)
March 2, 2019	Lynn Cook Safety Day, Humboldt Tn
March 15-16, 2019	Chickasha OK Swap Meet
May 16-20, 2019	Tennessee T's Spring tour (to be announced)
June 15-July 14, 2019	1909 Great Race Reenactment The Reenactment of the 1909 Great Race (a.k.a. Ocean to Ocean 2019 Tour) www.oceantoocean.ning.com
June 16-20, 2019	Poor Boy Tour 2019, Hendersonville, NC
July 14-19, 2019	2019 MTFCA Annual Tour in Prince Edward Island, Canada
August 17-22, 2019	MTFCA National Tour, Highland Rim Tour hosted by the Tennessee T's, based out of Cookeville, TN
Around Labor day	Ohio Jamboree (exact dates to be published when known)
September	Park County Indiana Covered Bridge Tour (exact dates to be published when known)
October 9-12, 2019	Hershey Swap Meet

IMPORTANT

HELP REQUEST for Volunteers- We need 3 photographers on the 2019 National Tour to take photos at various pre-arranged locations during the tour. If you would be interested, please contact hora7@aol.com or billrobinson1926@gmail.com. The plan is to have a slideshow at the closing banquet, provided we can accumulate enough quality photos.

MTFCA National Tour #2

Highland Rim Tour

Cookeville, TN August 17-22, 2019 Hosted by the Tennessee T's



Please make plans to attend the tour. Better yet, volunteer your time and help George and other members make the National Tour a success. hora7@aol.com

READY TO JOIN OUR CLUB ?

[New member application.. see our website](#)

The Tennessee T's club is a member of both the MTFCA and the MTFCI. Most of our members are also members of both associations that help preserve our hobby and our historic old cars.



Condolence



We lost a member and good friend from London, KY. **Vic Tankersley**, passed on Monday, 11.19.2018, after a partial knee replacement. Vic and his wife, Lori, have been active in Model T and Model A tours and they are well known to tour participants.



Dale and Cindy Flowers, Montevallo, AL
Brett and Barbara Ritter, Hampshire, TN (re-joined)
Tommy and Traci Massaro, Gadsden, AL
Warren and Brenda Rollins, Knoxville, TN
Skip and Sue Lane, Melborne, FL
Milt and Rosemary Roorda, Odessa, FL



New Member **Jenni Whitehall**, from Mills River, NC, sent the following email and pictures:

1. For the ladies - wreath craft instructions for any season or holiday. Cover styrofoam wreath with burlap, fabric, or wide ribbon, wrap wiffle golf balls with your colored bits of scrap yarns, hot glue or T-pin yarn varying sizes if yarn balls on wreath (pins allow you to change out yarn balls without making a new wreath for every season/holiday), add knitting needles, and hang or gift!
2. A autumn yarn ball wreath made for my door by my daughter.



Note from the editor:
Special thanks to **Jenni Whitehall**
For submitting this article

3. In gratitude for a wonderful tour, photos of Tennessee Fall Tour autumn colors from our 1923 touring car front seat!



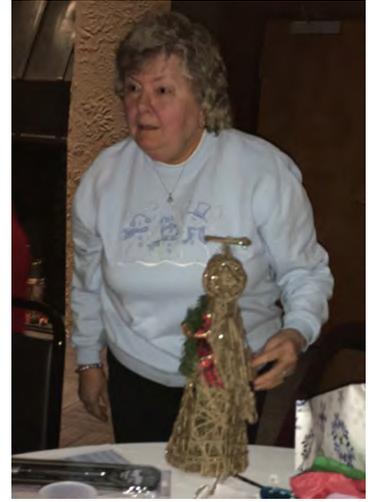


Christmas Party 2018

The Pin Oak Lodge, Natchez Trace State Park, Wildersville, TN, December 1, 2018

Dirty Santa got Kinda' rowdy this year.





December 2018







Wandering through YouTube one evening, I discovered that many of the stops that we have made while on Tennessee T's tours, have also been featured on Tennessee Crossroads (Nashville Public Television). Many of you TN folks have probably already seen these clips, but for us who just drive through the state, these clips will be a treat. I hope that you enjoy them as much as me.

Their [YouTube channel](#) currently lists 682 videos about mostly rural to very rural Tennessee. Spend some time looking. I may have missed some of our stops, or better yet, put some in your next tour!

- ***Soda Pop Junction**, Lynnville, TN <https://youtu.be/fkRfCMSI2ZM>
- ***Foglight Foodhouse**, near Rock Island State Park, https://youtu.be/_p9rpTkcyEU
- ***Lairdland Farm House**, Cornersville, TN <https://youtu.be/05wDQVAj-vM>
- ***Big Red Store**, Appleton, TN <https://youtu.be/t8csA8uvfUk>
- ***Delina Crossroads Market**, Delina Crossroads, TN <https://youtu.be/Rh3y0uJ65RE>
- ***Falls Mill**, Belvidere, TN <https://youtu.be/7OSHRzZftWo>



UH-Oh!

BOOGER.. IN THE PAN!



Here's the story on the mangled key.

My Dad bought the car in 1957.....at some point he was changing the bands and failed to remove the key and there you go....it ends up in the transmission. I can remember when I was 10 or 12 yrs old I went with him to see Mr Gusmus. He was the local bike shop owner and Mr Fixit of just about anything...and he also had a lot of T parts.He just happened to have one that fit our car. Jump ahead 40 plus years and my son and I are going through the engine and transmission after being the car had been dormant for 35 yrs after my Dad had passed away. And look what we find between the drum and band liner.....The key he had dropped all those years ago. So ALWAYS take the key out of the ignition when you change bands :)

Note from the editor:

Special thanks to
"prospective" new member
Rodney Gifford
for submitting this
article

TOPLESS! Take a good look. This may be the last time that you see Paul's Touring topless. She went to Norm's Upholstery today for a top and seat covers.

Member Paul Gierow, from near Ardmore, TN



Members on the Mend

Penny Wheat, Tuscaloosa, AL

Gary Wheat, Tuscaloosa, AL

Editor's note: I'm glad to report that as of 12.10.18- both are recovering well.



Read about
**Chattanooga
Coats for
Kids-**
On the final
page of the
newsletter



Hey, we tour
the whole
dang state!
And then some!

**Need A
TENNESSEE T'S
T-SHIRT?
Contact Hillary**

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BOOGER.. IN THE PAN!

Find something in your old car that is not supposed to be there? Let us all see your find!

Here's how:

Write a short article and tell our club members about what you found. **Send pictures to the editor.** tennesseets@hotmail.com

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**THANK YOU TENNESSEE T'S
THANKS FOR THE PICTURES
AND ARTICLES THAT YOU
SUBMITTED THIS MONTH. I
CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MUCH IT
HELPS ME WHEN YOU
WRITE THE NEWSLETTER.**

*Bill Robinson,
newsletter
editor*

Air is not a good thing. (Unless of course you're trying to breathe)

By Gary Tillstrom

It was really good to see everyone this year at the Christmas party and catch up with what's going on.

Upon talking with Charlie Swann, he mentioned that he is adding disc brakes to one of his cars. I have Rockies and don't care for them as much as the disc set up that many of you have. From talking with others, these can be a bear to bleed the air out of.

I was doing an annual on an airplane this weekend and wanted to show the process I use on a small airplane that makes it a one man job but didn't get that far into it for other reasons.

I basically pressure bleed from the caliper pushing the fluid up to the master cylinder. Air bubbles are pushed up hill and when the master cylinder is full, the pedal will be hard.

There are small differences between what I commonly do and the T disc brake setup. My advice would be to pressure bleed the caliper by itself since it is four piston before installing it. Doing this will fill all four piston chambers with fluid eliminating all air. Then once installed, hook your pressure source up to the lowest bleed port and pump in fluid to purge the lines. I would take the line loose at the "T" fitting and once fluid leaks out, repeat on the other side. Once both sides are purged, tighten the connections and fill the master cylinder (pumping fluid from either caliper up hill).

You can make your own pressure source. I use a weed sprayer but you can use an oil can with the pressure trigger. Either way, you only need about 3-4 PSI. I have linked a decent YouTube video that shows the process.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bZlq87VXybU>

There are other ways of pressure bleeding that push the fluid from the top down. Trust me, it's easier and makes less mess pushing it in from the bottom until the master cylinder is full. Besides the less mess issue, it only takes one person! Give it a try, I think you'll like it better than the traditional way. **Gary**



**Note from the
Editor
Special thanks to
Gary Tillstrom
for submitting this
article**

For Sale

MODEL T FOR SALE:

1926 FORDOR



One last time: I have posted my 1926 Fordor for sale a number times with no success!

I have bought five new WW 21" tires and restored the wire wheels to the original green they offered! I have a complete new interior, matching the original!

I will deliver to the successful offer! Price \$5000.

The T is stored in a custom built eighteen foot enclosed car hauler, which accommodates the Fordor's height! Will consider selling it also, but it is worth much more than the T! I paid \$6,000.00 for the trailer and will consider a package price offer if reasonable! Best

regards,

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Santa and The Chattanooga Coats for Kids Drive-

Santa being driven by Tennessee T's member Dom Denio, Ooltewah, TN

These photos are of Dom's beautiful 1919 Touring delivering Santa to the Chattanooga Coats for Kids drive. They netted 820 new coats and \$11, 990.00 in monetary donations.

For more information about this cause:
[Forgotten Child Fund](#)



**Note from the editor
Special thanks to
Dom Denio
for submitting
this article**