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From the President

Many thanks to the Martin's for arranging an informative guided tour of the American Cotton Museum/ Audie Murphy Museum. There was a lot to take in and the guide helped a lot. It was nice of the Martins to open their house and shops to see the great progress they have made in a short time. Their hospitality was very much appreciated by all. I enjoyed seeing John Dulin's nicely customized retro and David Silva's 65 Landau. It was a great view seeing all those Tbirds in front of us.

I am looking forward to the Christmas party on December 3d. This promises to be a great topper to another fun year. Don't forget to bring a new, un-wrapped toy. We will be delivering all the toys collected to the Marines at the Mansfield ISD Performing Arts Hall on December 6th.

The NTVT board is already at work planning for next year and I am excited to see as many as possible at all the fun events.

Brad Kershaw



Ho, Ho, Ho!

You should have received an email with details about the NTVT annual Christmas Party, happening on Sunday, December 3, 2017, from 4:00 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Humperdinks, 700 Six Flags Dr, Arlington, TX 76011, in Arlington. This year again, the club will pay for the cost of the dinner; we will order from a limited menu as we have in the past! Alcohol drinks will not be included this year, but you can order drinks on your own if you wish. If you have not emailed your RSVP yet, please do it SOON!

This year, instead of door prizes, the club has hired an entertainer for your enjoyment. John and Ginny Garfield have enthusiastically recommended Allen Hurt, and we are all looking forward to hearing him. He has been entertaining music fans since an early age and has written over 1500 original country and bluegrass songs, some

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Annual Christmas Party—December 3, 2017

some never recorded. Known for wearing the traditional rhinestone suits and singing with a unique high lonesome tenor voice that would become his trademark sound.

Over the years, Allen's music has gained airplay on radio stations throughout the US and Europe. His career would cross paths with music legends such as Ray Price, who Allen toured with and shared the stage for many years along with other greats like Gene Watson, Bobby Bare, Del McCoury and his long time friend and mentor Porter Wagoner. His musical talents have earned him the Gatesville Texas Country Music Hall Of Fame Entertainer Of The Year for 2013, Male Vocalist Of The Year for 2014, Male Vocalist of the



year for 2015 and the distinguished Texas Star Award for 2016. Continuing to write songs and play the Country music he loves, Allen proudly performs today with his band "The Mountain Showmen" and is a Inductee into the Gatesville Texas Country Music Hall Of Fame for his many years of traditional country music performances

and dedication to his craft as a entertainer, Member of the Country Music Association (CMA) and is also an honorary member of the Fort Worth Songwriters Association.

And don't forget to bring a new, unwrapped toy as NTVT will again support the USMC Toys for Tots, a worthy community cause. We will be delivering all the toys collected that evening to the Marines who will be at the Mansfield ISD Christmas Parade and Celebration on Wednesday evening, December 6. You can join us there if you wish!





ASM Car Show



The members of NTVT were invited to serve as judges at the ASM Upholstery Car Show in Dallas on Saturday, Nov. 4. Over a dozen members showed up to help with the event which benefitted St. Jude's Children's Hospital. The club received compensation for judging, and that amount was donated back to that charity.

There were lots of beautiful cars there, and quite a few folks even wandered back into the display area to view our birds, which were not entered into the competition. See the picture below, right.



Left: Dom Zanella presented the special NTVT Choice Award; the car selected by the club for that award was a Chevy, a gorgeous original '63 Corvette.



Above: Sue Martin, owner of ASM Upholstery, stopped by for a picture with Brad as the judges made their rounds.



Left: New member Ron Threadgill attended the show and brought his beautiful Red 1966 convertible out for us to see! Although Ron actually joined a couple of months ago, we were glad to get to meet him and check out his ride!



November Driving Event



18 members enjoyed the chance to get the birds out on the road with a trip to The American Cotton and Audie Murphy Museum in Greenville on Saturday, Nov. 11. After touring the exhibits via a guided tour, we caravanned to the new home of Walter and Delpehine Martin. They and Ivan Torres hosted us for lunch in their spacious "Barndominium" on their acreage in Farmersville.

The weather was gorgeous and the hospitality was wonderful!





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NTVT Calendar

December 3: Sunday, 4 p.m. Christmas Party at Humperdinks
700 Six Flags Dr, Arlington, TX 76011, in Arlington.

Regular Meetings/Events; Club sanctioned "extra" events; Non-Club events

NTVT Pride Merchandise

If you would like to purchase magnetic door signs for your Thunderbird (especially good for parades and traveling!), they are \$20 for a pair. See Dave Egan to get yours.

Bonnie and Brad also have small embroidered logo patches for \$3.50 each. These can be sewn/glued on to hats, shirts, etc.



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