



# The Buzz



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## The Dairyland Tin Lizzies

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### Destination Door County — 2019

Memorial Day Weekend Tour - May 25 - 27

By Gail & Marci, & Dave DeYoung

This year's Dairyland Tin Lizzies Door County Tour boasted good weather, beautiful peninsula views, and (of course) delicious ice cream! **Saturday:** The adventures started on the morning of May 25th when we all gathered in Sheboygan at the Kohler generator plant. At the driver meeting, Dan and Phyllis Schultz, DeWayne Fritz and Diane Scheid outlined the wonderful tour that they tirelessly planned for us. 10 cars departed from Sheboygan and we started on our way to Throttlestop in Elkhart Lake.

Along this first leg of the journey, Larry & Pat Summers' car developed an overheating problem. This was no problem at all for our resident staff of intrepid mechanics. After a few adjustments and test drives, we were off once again to our first destination of the day.



**Throttlestop**  
*driven by passion*

Throttlestop is an impressive museum that houses luxury vehicles, racing cars, and a motorcycle

museum that spans decades of innovation. We should also mention that it's not just a museum. It's also a showroom as nearly everything is for sale, well... for a price. They also had interesting décor involving repurposed auto parts. While there, two more cars joined our caravan to Door County.



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## UPCOMING 2019 EVENTS

September 28

**Bells & Whistles Tour**

Details Inside—Depart 9 AM from Vrana's Body Shop, West Bend

October 20

**Fall Business Meeting**

2pm—Nite Owls Tavern, 121 Kettle Moraine Drive N., Slinger, WI

January ??

**Christmas Party**

Please bring your ideas to our Fall business meeting

January ??

**Winter Tin Lizzie University**

### President's Message

Hey Model T'ers! It's hard to believe that we're near the end of the season already. Our thanks go out to all of our members who took the time to plan and lead tours. It really has turned out to be an impressive summer of touring and activities. Some of those tour reports appear in this issue and more are still to come.

Additionally, plans for the MTFCFA 2021 National Tour hosted by the Dairyland Tin Lizzies are coming along. Minutes from that first Steering Committee meeting appear in this issue as well.

If you haven't seen it yet, please take a look at The Vintage Ford, July/August 2019 issue. On page 6 is a write-up about the Dairyland Tin Lizzies and "Model Ts at School" at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School. Being featured in the national magazine is pretty special and we should all be proud of what has been accomplished in bringing history to life for the students of KMLHS. Thanks go out to our members who gave of their time and experience to make this happen.

As most of you know, the date for our next meeting has been set. We will have our Fall business meeting on October 20<sup>th</sup> at 2pm as noted above. We will review the activities from 2019, talk about ideas for tours for next year and update everyone on the plans for the national tour in 2021.

Okay, it's time to get out to the garage!

Make some Model T magic. -Pete



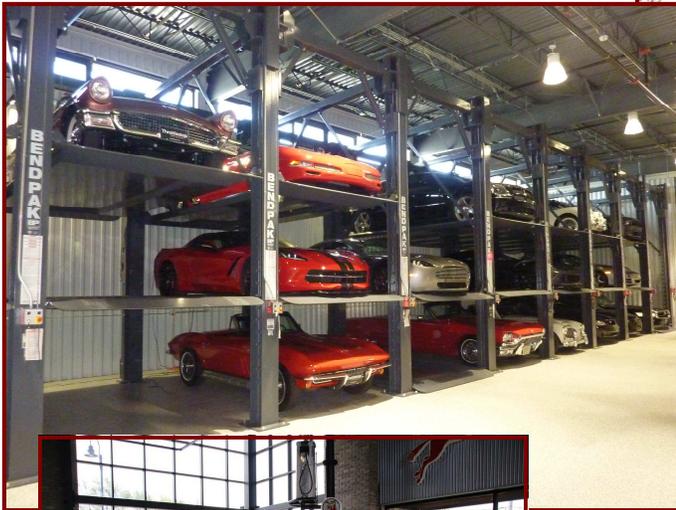
### Dairyland Tin Lizzies Officers

**President: Pete Humphrey \* Treasurer: Ken Lefebber**

**Vice President: Kevin Bruso \* Secretary: Jim Rodell, Jr.**

**Webmaster: Carol Gumbinger \* Newsletter Editors: Pete & Shelly Humphrey**

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Before we could get too far though, we stopped for lunch at Dizzy's Pub in Valders. Here we picked up our last vehicle bringing our total to 13 cars.

While at the restaurant we were visited by several club members that were unable to make the trip this year but came to wish us safe travels.

Among the well-wishers was Carol Brodtke who treated all the participants to her freshly made cookies.

Thank you Carol!



Our next scheduled stop was at Blossom's Cheese Store, where they also serve ice cream. Unfortunately, Blossom's was closed by the time that we got there.

However, right next door was Pedal Pushers Antiques, which sported a barn fresh TT Truck as well as other relics from days gone by.



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After leaving Denmark, we made a surprise stop at Frosty Tip for some 50's style soft serve ice cream. Once our ice cream addiction was satisfied, we made our way up to Valmy with several minor incidents involving flags and water bottles along the way. In the end, all the cars made it to the Run-

Away Lodge, which has hosted the Tin Lizzies for many years. Once settled, we all enjoyed appetizers outback... that is until the mosquitoes drove us all in to our rooms.



**Sunday:** After a sumptuous breakfast at the lodge, we left on a scenic drive to Olde Orchard Antiques, which was highly anticipated since the last time the club was able to go several years ago. This Egg Harbor hot spot was very well laid out housing everything from vintage bike horns to china to lawn ornaments. While most people found something to admire inside the store, some found more entertainment with the crowd of people in the parking lot. From there we headed out to lunch at Sister



Bay Bowl, considered a Sister Bay landmark.



Following lunch, we made our way back to Egg Harbor to peruse the wares at Wood Orchard Market. This fan favorite, known for their yummy jams, salsas, and fresh baked goods didn't disappoint as almost everyone walked out with something delectable in their shopping bags.

The next stop had the caravan heading down the beautifully winding county roads to Mistletoe Holiday House.



Even though the shop was closing at 4pm, the owner, Sue Rief, was wonderful and stayed open for

our group. She was



so happy to see all the cars, that when Paul offered her a ride she abandoned ship to take him up on his offer. Many of us in the store were so enchanted by the sheer amount of elegantly decorated theme trees that we didn't even realize she was gone until she told us her story when she returned with a big smile on her face. After the Mistletoe Holiday House, we made our way to Door County Peninsula Winery in Carlsville. Those that were interested partook in tasting and buying the wine, vinegar, and fudge

in the winery, while others took time to explore the distillery. Unfortunately, the authors didn't make it back in time to enjoy Sunday night's Ice Cream Social and music with Larry, but we heard wonderful reviews. From those that did attend, we understand that although it was on the cooler side and buggy, a lot of fun was had by all. For the second year in a row, Larry led the club in a sing-a-long with his guitar as attendees munched on the leftovers from the previous night's appetizers as well as ice cream.



**Monday:** The final day of the tour started with goodbyes and thank yous to Ron and Mary at the RunAway Lodge. We prepared and packed our cars but took the time to snap a few group shots in front of their sign to commemorate our trip. (See next to last page)



Once the final farewell was given, we went on our way to the Betsy Ross Family Restaurant for the traditional Door County Tour Memorial Day breakfast. By the time we were ready to go, the wind had picked up outside and the passengers were starting to bundle up in their warmer clothes to prepare for the trip back home.



Our next stop wasn't until the Father Marquette Memorial Park in Kewaunee. By this point it was starting to



sprinkle a little bit, and we just kept moving on,



making our way to Cedar Crest Ice Cream Factory and Parlor in Manitowoc. Some might have thought this was a bit too breezy for ice cream, but as Pete Humphrey explained: "We're an eating club with a driving disorder. It's never too chilly for ice cream". After enjoying our frozen treat and making some last minute Wilcox adjustments, we said our goodbyes. In a rush to beat the rain home we headed on our way leaving the remaining cars to make their way back to Sheboygan Kohler plant.

All the rest made it back to Sheboygan. Jim Wright, Shawn and Pete & Shelly continued their drive to Washington County. Jim, who had been nursing an ailing car all day, completed more than 100 miles before his T gave up just as the skies opened up (of course!) forcing a tow to finish the trip. Thank you all for another wonderful tour! We have really enjoyed getting to know everyone over the past year or so and look forward to many more trips and events in the future.





**DAIRYLAND TIN LIZZIES**  
**1<sup>st</sup> STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING FOR THE**  
**2021 WONDERFUL WISCONSIN MTFCA NATIONAL TOUR**  
**May 19, 2019**

Present: Keith & Carol Gumbinger, Jim Jr. & Colleen Rodell, Tod & Sharon Wirth, Diane Scheid & DeWayne Fritz, Dan Schultz, Pete & Shelly Humphrey, Rob Maasch, Jack & Barb Leonhardt, Shawn Gerrits, John & Carol Brodtke, Kevin Bruso.

The meeting was chaired by Keith Gumbinger & was held at the proposed host Hotel, The Radisson in Fond du Lac, WI, at 2pm. This was a very informal meeting & did not have a printed agenda.

Keith mentioned that the meeting would have 3 parts:

1. Where we are now in the tour planning
2. Discussion of options and possibilities for the tour
3. Volunteers for tasks needed for the tour

Where we are: The Tour Planning is now:

Tentative tour dates Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup> through Friday, June 25, 2021.

The tour location will be in Fond du Lac, WI and the host hotel will be the Radisson on the south side of FDL. The company that owns the Radisson also owns the Comfort Inn and Holiday Inn Express, both of which are within walking distance of the Radisson. These 3 hotels have a total of 303 rooms; more than enough needed for the tour.

The Radisson is a "Conference Center" with a banquet hall that holds 400 for a sit down dinner. The Radisson also has a nice hospitality room that we can use which is near a large open area with an exterior door so it can be used for inside and / or outside activities. There is also a bar and restaurant in the Radisson.

Room rates for 2021 have not yet been set. We will be negotiating those rates and trying to get some freebies for tour participants like free breakfasts, etc.

Keith and Carol met with representatives of the hotels on April 25, 2019 to discuss the proposed tour and were very warmly received.

They said that the 3 hotels have different things to offer and that the rates for each of them are different. There are also other hotels in the immediate area. Parking for the 3 hotels is adjacent to each hotel and have quite a bit of room for cars & trailers, etc. We will try to get a map of the parking lots to more closely determine # of parking spaces, & to also figure if off site parking for trailers & tow vehicles is needed.

Keith & Carol also visited the "Destination Lake Winnebago Region" aka FDL Visitors Center on April 25<sup>th</sup> and were warmly received. They have lots of information on places to visit, pamphlets, etc. and are eager to work with us.

Tour Capacity. The closing banquet for the tour will be on Friday Evening. Experience has shown that each car registered for a tour has about 2 to 2.25 people. By dividing that by the banquet hall capacity of 400, this means that the tour will be limited to 175 cars.  $175 \times 2.25 = 393.75$  people. There will be some people who leave early or don't want to go to the banquet, but there also may be some who can't be on the tour who would like to be at the banquet, so we'll leave the tour capacity at 175 cars.

There are gas stations near the hotels in each day's tour direction.

The Radisson has 3 conference rooms. We met in the largest one, and with 18 present for this meeting, it was comfortably full. This room would work very well for a National MTFCA Board of Directors meeting which is often held in conjunction with the tours.

At this time we moved into discussion of the tour destinations, etc

Possible tour destinations & daily tour chair persons:

Sunday – Local FDL tour on their own, catered picnic in Lakeside Park approx. 5 to 6 PM, Chaired by Tod and Sharon Wirth

Monday – Wade House, Plymouth & Elkhart Lake, lunch on their own in Plymouth or at Johnsonville ? Close off the Plymouth main street & do the Mural game. Ice cream in Elkhart Lake. Chaired By Carol & Keith

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Tuesday - Hartford Museum, lunch at The Chandelier, Holy Hill & ice cream in Theresa, chaired by Jim Jr.

Wednesday - Manitowoc & Farm Wisconsin Discovery Center, AM break & PM ice cream. Chair Person ?

Thursday - TBD, maybe Clydesdale horse show & Horicon Marsh, chairperson ? Lunch ? TBD

Friday - EAA in Oshkosh with catered lunch at EAA or box lunches. Chair Person ?

The Thursday destination centered on the Clydesdale Horse Show in Ripon. Jim Jr. suggested that we have a DTL one day tour to the horse show to check it out. This would leave from The Radisson & would be a trial run for that tour day. Later it was decided to have that tour on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> and it will be called “Cat tails and Clydesdales”. After this tour, we’ll have a short meeting at the Radisson to evaluate this tour day.

The Wednesday tour to the Manitowoc area has several possibilities. The Farm Wisconsin Discovery Center is a newer state run attraction just south of Man. and sounds like a good place to visit. We have to get more information on it, but is there enough time to be able to do that place and also the other Man. Museums or it is too much for one day? The mileage from the FDL hotel to Manitowoc is approx. 60 miles = 120 or so miles for the day which is a lot. Visiting the Keller Tractor Museum would add too many miles for that day and can’t be included.

Tour Tasks and Volunteers: Tour Chairpersons- Keith & Carol

Tour Advisor – Jim Jr.

Registrar & Treasurer – Shelly

Hospitality Room – John & Carol Brodtke and Jack & Barb Leonhardt

Goodie Bags and Local Door Prizes – Rob Maasch

T Vendor Door Prizes (Lang’s, etc.) & MTFCA Club Donations – Keith

Publicity:

FDL – Keith & Carol

Monday – Plymouth – Keith & Carol

Tuesday – Hartford – Jim Jr.

Wed. – Manitowoc – TBD

Thursday – Horse Show, etc. – TBD

Friday – EAA – Not needed

Car & Trailer parking: Radisson, Comfort Inn, Holiday Inn Express & Offsite – TBD

On site parts vendor: Adam’s Antique Auto Parts first, then possibly Birdhaven or Langs

Kids activities during the Friday Banquet – TBD

Tour photographer – Shawn Gerrits

Vulture Wagon – Monday need 3 – Tod & 2 TBD

Tuesday need 2 – Jack & Dewayne, & Tod

Wednesday need 2 – Jack & Dewayne, & Tod

Thursday need 2 – Tod and ?

Friday need two maybe – Tod & Dan & Rob Maasch

Miscellaneous: Tour plaques?

Shirts, need both men’s and women’s sizes

Motel parking security – provided by the hotels?

Awards – Hard Luck; Ben Yumori Award – by MTFCA

Consider doing a cover picture for The Vintage Ford

Lanyards – Have name on both sides and should be adjustable

Tour Book – use different colored pages for each day & have daily Tour maps

Note – This is a progress report and subject to change as we go on.

## Zangl's TT Truck Tour - May 11, 2019

By Keith Gumbinger

Greg and Pam Zangl have hosted TT Truck tours before, and like the others, this one was also lots of fun.

There were 4 TT's on the tour: Zangl's, Keith and Carol Gumbinger, Jim Wright, and Greg's friend, Tyrone, plus 2 T's: Paul Wilcox in his '18 Touring and Shawn Gerrits in his '24 Depot Hack. Pam's friends Vicki and David also rode along for the tour.

The tour began at Zangl's home in Germantown at about 10 am, but not until Greg gave a quick tune up to his friend Tyrone's '26TT. It didn't take long and Greg had Tyrone's truck running great, and off we went.

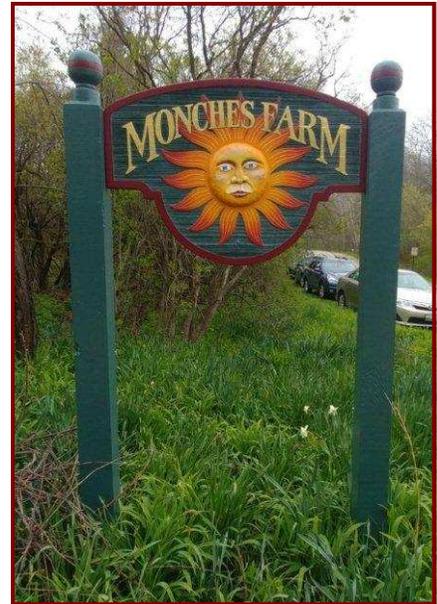
The first stop was to a large antique sale held only a short distance away on Countryaire Road. There were 4 buildings full of nice antiques and collectibles. Parking for this sale was way in the back of the property and as you can imagine and as we drove in to this parking area past all of the customers, we drew lots of attention. The owner followed us and asked us to park up in the main area near the antiques being sold to add to the ambience, which we did. They have this sale twice a year, and the owner asked if we could come there again for the next sale as lots of people there liked our TT's and T's.



We continued on, driving through the Kettles, up and down the hills, over hill and dale, and eventually stopping for lunch. Lunch was at the Ox & Cat's Sports Bar and Grill. The weather was cool as we were riding around, but it was nice in the restaurant. We left refreshed and ready to go again.

Our next stop was at Monches Farm, a nice combination gift shop, nursery & colorful chicken farm. We've been there before, but they have a nice place and it's always fun to go there. This will be the last year for Monches Farm as the place is closing. Oh well.

We continued touring around, and as the day went on some of us were running low on gas, and there were more hills to go yet. You know what that means, right? Well, on the last hill, neither the Zangl's nor the Gumbingers had enough gas to make it up the hill.



Greg rolled his TT all the way down the hill, then turned it around so the gas would flow down to the carb., put it in low Warford and backed it all the way up the hill.

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Greg positioned his TT in front of Gumbinger's TT, unrolled his winch and hooked it to their TT, and proceeded to back up the hill with his TT and also pulling Gumbinger's TT until they both reached the crest of the hill. Now that we were no longer on a hill, gas flowed to the carburetors and we continued on.



The next stop was the culmination for the day. What was it, you ask? Well, Ice Cream, of course!!! We stopped at Robert's Frozen Custard in Germantown and their ice cream was a nice way to top off this day of touring around. There was only a short drive back to Zangl's place then the tour was over.

Many thanks go to Greg and Pam for planning and hosting this very enjoyable tour. Next time we WILL make sure that we have plenty of gas in the tanks, right Greg?

PS, If you want to see the [video](#) of Greg backing up the hill in his TT while pulling Gumbinger's TT also, go to our Dairyland Tin Lizzies facebook page.

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Have you seen this man?  
Beware!  
He is a master of disguises!



**Wanted! For excessive Model T driving.**

## Model T University & Work Day - June 15, 2019

By Pete Humphrey

June 15th dawned much cooler than we had hoped, but that did not deter us from coming together at Rich Edler's place for a day of Model T fun. One of the projects slated for this day was to get Rusty running again. The car, loved by all Dairyland Tin Lizzies members, but mostly by Katie Stock and her late grandfather Ron, had been sitting for too long and refused to run properly.



This task was led by Dave DeYoung. Keeping in mind the basic Model T principles of “gas and spark”, the fuel department was addressed first. Many problems were found there. In addition to a lot of sediment that needed to be flushed out,

there appeared to be 2-cycle oil added to the gas that was clogging things up. The tank needed to be emptied of all that mess before fresh gas could be added. Appropriately, the sediment bulb, gas line and carburetor bowl were all removed and thoroughly cleaned as well.



After reassembly and the addition of fresh gas, the engine fired and ran, although a bit roughly. What next? Spark, of course. While Dave cleaned and checked the timer, the coils were taken over to Ken Lefeber. Ken had brought his ECCT and was set up and ready to analyze Rusty's coils.

With some fine adjustments, the coils were made to run as well as possible, although capacitor replacement is likely on Katie's wish list.



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Back at the car, spark plugs were being cleaned and gapped. It was all of these things that got Rusty running again and while there are many more things that could be addressed, (there always are...) the car was drivable. Seeing Katie back behind the wheel was very satisfying, especially for her.



Rich Edler's barn fresh '14 Touring was also a focus of attention. Resurrected last year, Rich had since collected a number of parts that could be installed in the car. Among them were new radiator hoses. Rich's coils were also put to the test with Ken's ECCT. Actually, there was just as much time spent driving that car as working on it. It runs

amazingly well in its mostly original condition and is a lot of fun to drive. Most of us took turns doing just that. Will we be seeing this car on a tour Rich?



As it turns out, Ken was kept fairly busy testing coils on and off throughout the day. Additional work was being done at the engine stand at the hands of Paul, Rick and Dave Hjortnaes.



Even with the weather being much less like Summer, was a great Model T day. Next June, we'll order something warmer! Many thanks to Rich for hosting this wonderful event and arranging for the delicious lunch of Chissy's broasted chicken.



**Model T Ladies' Day - June 15, 2019**

The DTL Ladies enjoyed another great outing this year on Ladies' Day. The plan for the day was 'shopping'. We started the morning at the Wreath Factory, Northeast of Plymouth by walking through their outdoor nursery display of flowers, vegetables, trees and shrubs. They had so many beautiful varieties to choose from. As we worked our way into the knickknack and indoor garden shop, I had the pleasure of being baptized by a passing birdie. Luckily some quick action by Marci DeYoung limited the damages.

From there we headed to downtown Plymouth and casually strolled in and out of various shops. One of our stops was the Cheese Counter where free samples were enjoyed by all. Everyone found something tasty to purchase here.

A person really works up an appetite while shopping. So our next stop was the Mexican restaurant on Main Street. The portion sizes were quite large so several of us split our meals in half and shared them. Everything was very tasty. Now that we were all re-energized, it was time for more shopping. First, however, we went next door to a local art gallery.

Our next stop was The Sewing Basket. This is an amazing fabric/quilt shop comprised of multiple rooms, each having a different theme. The rooms are covered from floor to ceiling in quilts and bolts of fabric to match each theme. I was so intrigued by this little gem of a shop and the beauty of the quilts on display, that I actually purchased a quilt kit to see if I could make one for myself. I'm happy to say that with some guidance from Diane and Colleen this summer, the project was a success. Maybe next year we'll try to get Sister Barb to give it a try.



Before the afternoon was over we found two nice antiques shops. Here several of us found more hidden treasures to purchase. It was a great day spent making memories with friends.

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**Wings & Wheels June 16, 2019**

Sampling Uncle Jimmy's special brew.

No Tidestick required!! (This time...)



# Bells & Whistles Model T Tour



**September 28, 2019**

Departing Vrana Frame & Body Shop @ 9 a.m.  
1405 N Main St, West Bend

Let's celebrate the third annual  
"International Day of Touring"

(promoted by Model T Ford Club International)

**with a day of food, fun, and flivver fellowship!**

This will be a short tour of only 30 miles with some interesting and fun visits.

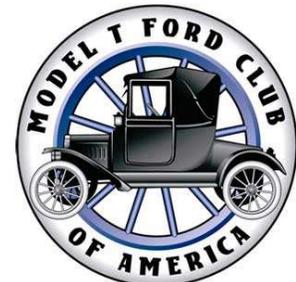
-Our first stop will be the Venerable Fire Collection. This hidden gem is one of the best antique fire equipment museums in the country. We will be given a special tour lasting about 2 hours. Admission is \$10.00 per adult. Teenagers and children are free.

-We will arrive at Dheinsville Historical Park at about noon for the opening of Oktoberfest. Reasonably-priced German fare will be available for lunch. We will have reserved parking, and admission to Oktoberfest is free. The Sila Bast Bell Museum is part of the Historical Park. Admission to the bell museum is \$6.00 per adult, \$5.00 for senior citizens. Save half price on admission by bringing a non-perishable food item to donate to the food pantry.

-At 2:30 we will depart Dheinsville for Railroad Park. Members of the Milwaukee Light Engineering Society are opening their park for our group, where we will ride their 1/8 scale trains. In exchange, the train club members would like to ride in some Tin Lizzies.



Please RSVP Jim Rodell, Jr. by September 15  
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**UPCOMING NATIONAL EVENTS**

See the details for these and lots of other national events in the current issue of The Vintage Ford.

**Model T Covered Bridge Tour**

Hosted by West Central Indiana Model T'ers

Parke County, Indiana USA September 28 - October 2, 2019

**22nd Pre-War (WWII) Parts Exchange & Car Show**

Hosted by The Orange County Model T Ford Club

Fullerton, California USA October 5, 2019

**2019 Texas "T" Party**

Hosted by Space City T's

Brenham, Texas USA October 9 - 12, 2019

**2020 Winter Tour (Full...Waiting List Only)**

Hosted by the Tin Lizzie Club of North Central Florida

Gainesville, Florida USA March 8 - 12, 2020

**MTFCA 2020 National Tour**

Hosted by the Inland Empire Model T Club

Spokane, Washington USA July 18 - 23, 2020



Become a member of the Model T Ford Club of America. Active membership includes all the privileges of the Club, including six issues of **The Vintage Ford**, free admission to the Model T Museum for member and immediate family and one voting ballot per member-family for election of the Club's Board of Directors. Annual dues are \$40 for the U.S. Lifetime memberships are available. Owning a Model T automobile is not required.

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## The 2019 Destination Door County Crew



## The 2009 Destination Door County Crew



This is 10 years ago. Seems like just yesterday! There are lots of familiar faces here and some of these Model T friends are no longer with us. Can you name each person in this photo? (The editors got all but one.)