

President's Message

By Keith Gumbinger

Hi Everyone –

Here it is the end of January. You know what that means, right? It means we're over the hump and soon it will be spring, even though it's snowing out today. Soon we'll be able to get our T's out and go cruising around again. It's interesting to note that there are some of our members who drive their T's all year around when the roads are decent. Greg Zangl and Jack Foreman come to mind, but there's probably a few others also.

On January 13th we had our Christmas party at Harnischfeger Park, and a good time was had by all. There were about 35 to 40 present and we enjoyed a wonderful turkey dinner prepared by Adam and Christine Doleshal with assistance by Pam Zangl. A big THANK YOU to Adam, Christine and Pam for doing a terrific job. There were two T's driven to the Christmas Party: Greg Zangl with his '13 Depot Hack and George Doleshal with his '26 Coupe.

Many of us are using this winter downtime for our T's by restoring, repairing, fixing and upgrading them in preparation for the 2007 touring season. In connection with this, our next three Dairyland Tin Lizzies club events are dedicated to restoring & repairing our T's. February 10th is our annual Model T University at Joe Vrana's shop. On February 25th is The Swap Meet at the Washington County Fair Grounds in West Bend, where you might be able to find parts and supplies for your T. On March 24th is something new for our club, a second Model T University for this season. This will be at Harry & Barbara Nelezens place in rural Oconomowoc. The topic will be doing a step by step safety check according to the MTFCA Safety Inspection Checklist. The car to be checked will be one of Harry's. Harry has a heated shop with a hoist which should work out nicely. They also have a restored log cabin and a covered bridge that we can see. Directions to the Nelezens are elsewhere in this issue. As usual, after each of the Model T University meetings, we will go out to an area restaurant (to be announced) for a bite to eat.

Coming up soon will be our spring business meeting on April 15th. It will be in Horicon at the Union Hall at 12 Noon. At 2:00 we will have a dinner there courtesy of our hosts Shawn and Melissa Gerrits. This will also be a "coming out" for their just restored '24 T Depot Hack. Only a couple members of the DTL have seen their T and I for one am very interested in finally seeing it since it's supposed to be a very nice restoration. Also at the spring meeting will be the election of officers for the next year. As many of you know, I'm completing my third year as President and according to the rules of the Model T Ford Club of America to which we adhere, I am not eligible to re-election as president. Nominations for all of our offices will be taken at the spring meeting and I encourage you to think about who to nominate for each office.

New members since our last issue of The Buzz are Scott and Carren Porter who have a '26 T Fordor, a '24 T Roadster and a '23 T Truck (based on a car chassis), and Steve McFadden who has – not one, but two – '24 T Speedsters. Welcome to the Dairyland Tin Lizzies!

Best wishes and I look forward to seeing you at our coming events.

Fordially, Keith Gumbinger

TIN LIZZIE UNIVERSITY

February 10, 2007

Location: Joe Vrana's Body Shop, 1405 North Main St., West Bend, WI

Time: 1 to 5 PM

Topics: Sediment bowls, pre-'26

Perpetrator: Keith Gumbinger

Ignition Switch

Jim Hess

Hogshead pedal cam wear problems

Dan Schultz

Front End Alignment

Joe Vrana

Dinner afterwards for all who would like to go, at that neat little restaurant up & around the corner as in past years.

No reservations needed, snacks will be served.

SECOND TIN LIZZIE UNIVERSITY FOR 2007

March 24, 2007

Location: At Harry & Barb Nelezens' place, in their heated shop, N 7415 County Hwy. F, West of Oconomowoc Directions given below

Time: 1 to 5 PM

Topic: Safety inspection using the MTFCA Safety Inspection Form

Other items of interest: Harry & Barb have a restored log cabin and a covered bridge on their property that we can see.

Dinner afterward at an area restaurant for all who would like to go

No reservations needed, snacks will be served.

Directions: From Milwaukee: Take I94 towards Madison. 5 miles past Hwy. 67 take the Hwy. F exit & go North for 2 ½ miles to the Barberry Farm sign on the left. The address is N 7415 Hwy. F. The address is the same as fire number.

From near North of Milwaukee: Take Capitol Drive to Hwy. 16 (just before Pewaukee).

Go West on Hwy. 16 through Oconomowoc, then 6 more miles to Hwy. F. Go South (left) on F for 2 ½ miles to the Barberry Farm sign on the right. The address is N 7415 Hwy. F. The address is the same as the Fire Number.

From far North of Milwaukee: Take Hwy. 60 to Hwy. P. Go South on P to Hwy. 16

(Oconomowoc). Go West (right) on Hwy. 16 for 6 miles to Hwy. F. Go South (left) on F for 2 ½ miles to the Barberry Farm sign on the right. The address is N 7415 Hwy. F.

The address is the same as the Fire number.

If you get lost, call Harry at 262-567-9433.

Spring Business Meeting and “Our T wants to meet your T Party”

April 15th, 2007 at the International Association of Machinists
and Aerospace Workers Lodge No. 873
Union Hall in Horicon, WI.

Business meeting starts at *NOON* with a party to follow.

The Gerrits family finally finished building my body and putting me together for good. I'm a 1924 Ford model T Depot Hack. It's been 2 ½ years that they have been working on me. I have a brand new wood body with nice shiny black sheet metal. I have new seats, a rebuilt front end, a rebuilt rear end and a brand new motor. I'm ready to hit the road. I'm looking for other Model T's to go on tour with. You're all invited to come and meet me on April 15th 2007. We'll have plenty of food so don't miss the party. Please come so I can meet some new T's.

Also, please call or email my owners, Shawn & Melissa Gerritts, so they know how many are coming.
(Phone 920-382-6447, email shawng57@yahoo.com)

Sincerely,

Beatrice

The Union hall is across the street from Kwik Trip. Behind the Union hall is the parking lot and where you will find Beatrice. Enter the building from the back lower parking lot. The park and the Rock River are also behind the Union hall.

Lodge No. 873, 258 Barstow St., Horicon, WI 53032

Minutes of November 12, 2006 Meeting

The fall meeting of the Dairyland Tin Lizzies was called to order at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 12 in the Public Meeting House building at Old Falls Village in Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin by President Keith Gumbinger.

Present were:

Kevin Bruso	Harry Nelezen
Adam & Christine Doleshal	Harlyn Pilon
Richard Edler	Rod Prinsen
DeWayne Fritz & Diane Scheid	Jim & Colleen Rodell, Eric & Ethan
Shawn & Melissa Gerrits,	Jim Rodell, Sr.
Nate, Jen, Lauren, & Kendall	Claude Schickert
Keith & Carol Gumbinger	Ron Stock
Jim Hess	Larry & Barbara Van Hovlen
Pete & Shelly Humphrey	Joe Vrana
David & Cheryl Knutson	Bob & Alice Wirth
Larry Lamont	James Wright
Steve McFadden	Pam Zangl
Dean Meissner	

Carol Gumbinger moved to dispense of the reading of the April 2, 2006 meeting minutes. Pete Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jim Hess moved to accept the minutes of the April 2 meeting as published in The Buzz. Shelly Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Copies of the Treasurer's Report were distributed by Treasurer Adam Doleshal, with a current checking balance of \$1,467.40. Kevin Bruso moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Bob Wirth seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Webmaster Carol Gumbinger reported on the club website. In the absence of Newsletter Editor Dan Schultz from the meeting, Carol reported that future copies of The Buzz will be emailed to members with email addresses.

Old Business:

Kevin Bruso reported on the "Waterfall Tour" he organized over Memorial Day weekend in northeast Wisconsin and the Kingsford, Michigan area. Nine Model T's participated.

Jim Rodell, Jr. reported on the ice cream social at the Carriage Factory Museum in Mayville held June 25.

Pam Zangl reported on Old Falls Village Days held June 25.

Bob Wirth reported on the Model T Ford Club International tour held July 16-20 in Clear Lake, Iowa. Over 400 Model T's attended. Bob & Alice won an award for their 1915 omnibus.

Jim Rodell, Jr. reported on Flivver Fest held July 22. Ten Model T's visited David Uihlein's private collection and "Railroad Park". Jim Rodell, Jr. moved to donate \$50.00 from the treasury to Milwaukee Light Engineering Society in support of Railroad Park. Rod Prinsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jim Rodell, Jr. reported on Model T Day held at Wisconsin Automotive Museum August 19. The event attracted 27 Model T's, over 160 Model T rides were provided, and the food stand sold out. Next year's event is scheduled for August 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Adam Doleshal reported on the Hill and Valley Tour and events held in Cross Plains on September 16, sponsored by the Wisconsin Capital Model T Club.

Jim Hess reported on the Mill Tour he organized near the Wisconsin/ Illinois border held September 30- October 1.

President Keith Gumbinger reminded members of the new policy adopted at the April 2, 2006 meeting to provide an incentive of \$25 per day of touring for tour planners.

New Business:

National Events

President Keith Gumbinger reminded members of the Model T Ford Club of America board election, and read campaign letters from Joe Fellin, Dave Loving, Keith Robinson, and Reginald Urness.

President Gumbinger read a letter from Gary & Marti Hays, encouraging members who know Russ Furstnow to write nomination letters for him to receive the Rosenthal Award.

President Gumbinger announced plans from the Model T Ford Club of America to be held July 21-26, 2008 in Richmond County, Indiana.

Local Events

Adam and Christine Doleshal volunteered to host a club Christmas party during the month of January at Harnischfeger Park as they have done the past two years.

Tin Lizzie University will be held the afternoon of Saturday, February 10, 2007 at Vrana Frame & Body Shop in West Bend.

President Keith Gumbinger announced that he has reserved a booth for promotion of the club at the Winter Parts Swap to be held Sunday, February 25, 2007 at Washington County Fair Park.

The Gerrits family volunteered to organize the meeting place for the spring 2007 meeting at the Union Hall in Horicon. The Gerrits will provide lunch after the meeting, and will unveil the 1925 depot hack they have been building the past two years.

The club will participate in Old Falls Village Days on June 23 and 24, 2007.

Model T Day at the Wisconsin Automotive Museum is scheduled for August 18, 2007 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Shelly Humphrey expressed interest in holding Flivver Fest at Waterloo Firemen's Park again, and will organize the event Sunday, July 29, 2007.

Adam Doleshal mentioned that some members have expressed interest in boarding the high speed car ferry from Milwaukee to Muskegon and attending the Model T Ford Club International Annual Tour in Grand Rapids, Michigan July 15-20, 2007.

Bob Wirth announced that he and Todd and their families will organize an event on September 16, 2007 to coincide with the thresheree held at Richfield Historical Park, site of the restored Mayer's Mill.

President Gumbinger reviewed the Chapter Happenings newsletter from the Model T Ford Club of America outlining future national tours and the 2008 Centennial celebration.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James Rodell, Jr
Secretary, Dairyland Tin Lizzies

Dairyland Tin Lizzies Events Schedule 2007

February 10 1-5pm	Tin Lizzie University at Joe Vrana Body Shop
February 25 Fairgrounds	Swap Meet at the Washington County
March 24 1-5pm	Tin Lizzie University at Harry Nelezen garage
April 15 Horicon	Spring Business/Election Meeting 12 Noon in
June 23 & 24	Old Falls Village Days
July 14-22	MTFCI Annual Tour in Grand Rapids, Michigan
July 29	Flivver Fest
August 18	Model T Day in Hartford
September 15	Hill and Valley Tour in Cross Plains, WI
September 16	Richfield Days
November TBA	Fall Business Meeting location TBD

The above dates are scheduled Model T events. There are a lot of open weekend dates in the prime summer months for one day or overnight tours that can be scheduled. If you have a favorite place that you like to drive your T, think about putting a tour together and sharing that favorite place or drive on "Model T" roads with the rest of the club. Most of us don't need much of a reason to get the T's out on the road for a fun tour and explore new areas.

