

# The Buzz

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**Dairyland Tin Lizzies invade the capital**



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# President's Message

By: Kevin Bruso

Reflecting on another season of touring with the Dairyland Tin Lizzies, it seems that somewhere along the line we must have made a good connection with Mother Nature, as we enjoyed great weather for all of our activities, except Model T day at Hartford. The tours I was able to be on all went off without a hitch, and I want to extend a huge "Thank You" to all the folks who helped put these events together. The entire club greatly appreciates your efforts.

Several members of our chapter attended the Model T Ford Club International's 51<sup>st</sup> annual tour in Grand Rapids Michigan in July. All who I have spoken to had a great time, and as I read the latest issue of The Model T Times, I found that our members also did quite well in the award department. The entire Wirth family did exceptionally well, with Stacy Wirth receiving an MTFCI scholarship for her essay on how the Model T influenced the outcome of WW1, Bob Wirth received the Syverson Award (and a 2<sup>nd</sup> place ribbon in class), with his 1915 Omnibus, and Christie Wirth was awarded a Jimmy Walker award. In the vintage fashion contest, DeWayne Fritz took 1<sup>st</sup> place for original men's, and Diane Fritz took 1<sup>st</sup> place for women's reproduction. I would like to thank each of you for representing the club and the hobby in such commendable fashion – congratulations to you all!

Leaves are turning color and falling, the days are getting shorter, and preparation for the upcoming winter season is upon us. It is also time for our fall business meeting, which has been moved to the Millhome Supper Club, just East of Kiel on Hwy 32/57. The date is still the same, Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, starting at 2:00 p.m. We will cover our normal itinerary, recapping this past season's events, planning the dates for upcoming winter season activities, and setting up what we can for next summer. If you are unable to attend the meeting, but have an idea that you would like the club to discuss, please feel free to call me, and I will add it to the agenda. I think we would all like to have a couple more tours next summer if we can.

See you on the road,

*Kevin*

# Hill and Valley Tour

Story By: Kendall Gerrits

On Saturday September 15, 2007, my dad and I went on the Hill and Valley tour in Cross Plains, which is 8 miles west of Madison. We got up at about 4:45 a.m. to leave from our house in Horicon. We met Adam Doleshal, Gregg, Pam, and Ford Zangl, Jim Wright, Mr. Doleshal, and his friend at Kwik Trip in Lake Mills. When my dad and I arrived at Kwik Trip, the temperature was 39 degrees.



It was FREEZING! From there we were on our way to Madison. When we arrived, we were just going along until a lady in a white car passed all of us. Adam pulled over on the side of the road and was talking to Jim. The woman in the car was beeping because she was in a hurry. We saw the capitol off in the distance and before we knew it, we were up close then drove around the capitol. When

we were driving through downtown Madison, there was a Badger game and people were tailgating and they were all wearing RED! Finally we got on a back road outside of Madison. If you never been in a big city or Wisconsin's capitol in a Model T, its pretty scary. Within a few minutes, we arrived in Middleton where the fire truck that Adam restored was. We got out to stretch and a bathroom break. As we were leaving, our car started to act up. It started to backfire quite a bit. When we arrived in Cross Plains, we parked at our spot and Gregg tightened some things in the engine and then it was good to go for the 30-mile tour. All the cars that were going on the tour had to line up by the bridge including Model A's. At about 10:15 a.m., we left to go on the beautiful tour. About 1 or 2 miles into the tour, the fire truck that Adam drove had a problem. We didn't stop because we wanted to keep going. Then we got in back of an older Model T and as they would turn the corners, their two front tires would wobble a lot. It looked unsafe. There were a lot of steep hills and some sharp turns. At one point, there were other people with Model A's coming from the opposite direction. It was really cool. We were all beeping at each other.



I was the photographer for the tour. It seemed like it took forever for the tour to end. But then we finally got back. After the tour, my dad was talking to some people while I waited patiently. Then it was lunchtime so we went to go get something to eat. There was free corn and they steamed it from a big steam engine. It was cool. Then around 1:30 p.m. or so, they had a disassembly of a Model T (A guys car). The team took all the parts off the car. Then you could go over to a white tent (which I did) and guess how many minutes it would take them to put it back together. I guessed 25 minutes. I was close, they put it together in 24 minutes and 10 seconds. After that was all finished, my dad and I went to go walk around and look at all the stuff that was there. They had an old 1913 UPS truck and it was cool. The man that owned that was talking to my dad. The man asked if we had a car there and my dad said "Yes, that Depot Hack over there." The man was surprised and couldn't believe that we owned it.



At the end of the day, they had a thing called Model T games. Greg and Ford, and Adam entered in them. Adam did doughnuts on the field and the teeter-totter for Model T's. they also had a game where you had to guide a horse thing on wheels through a snaky line. The last game they had was someone was blind

folded while the other person told them where to go. Finally, we were all ready to go home so we left. Outside of Columbus we stopped at a river to stretch.



We took a different route home and it got warmer out. Then Jim Wright followed my dad and I until we got almost to Horicon. I was glad to get home because I was cold ALL DAY!! It was very long but we had fun. By the way, if you were wondering, we drove 173 miles that day.

# Tour to the Thresheree

By  
Dan Schultz

Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> found my nephew Elijah, who has been my Model T navigator and snacks from the back seat procurer on more than one occasion, and me, getting up pretty early to drive my 1926 Tudor down to Rich Edler's place, just south of Waldo to meet up with him, his son Andy, and fellow member Rod Prinsen. Our two car tour continued from Rich's as we had to be in West Bend by 9:00am to meet up with more Model T folks from the club; at the parking lot of Arby's on the south side of town. While waiting there for everyone, someone noticed a front tire going flat on one of the cars; that small problem was taken care of and we were underway once again this time as a group of about 8-10 cars on a route being led by Todd Wirth, to his house in Richfield. At Todd and Sharon's house we met others, and a group from The Greater Milwaukee Model T Ford Club led by Bob Wirth, for some snacks and refreshments. While there we had an impromptu tire changing seminar to put a tire flap, new inner tube, and tire on the correct Ford rim for one of the cars. Once the tire situation was straightened out we headed out as a large group to the Richfield Historical Society's 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Thresheree. Upon arriving there our cars were led to a display area and parked as a group for all those in attendance to enjoy. It was a beautiful day for a nice outdoor event, Elijah and I wandered around the grounds with a little of everything on display, including old tractors and hit and miss engines, along with a steam powered saw mill cutting logs. After a lunch of cheeseburgers and Root Beer we returned to the car to find that the direction of the wind and sawdust from the log cutting operation had been putting a fine coating of sawdust on the cars. Elijah's twin sisters and mother met us later in the day to take Elijah back home to Milwaukee, so, I lost my navigator for the drive home. Rod Prinsen filled that position for Elijah and I have to say he did a good job as we wiggled our way back to Waldo and on to my place north of Sheboygan. It was another fun day out with our great little cars and only a flat tire for problems. A big thank you to the Wirth's for hosting the get together for the two clubs and guiding us all on the tour routes.

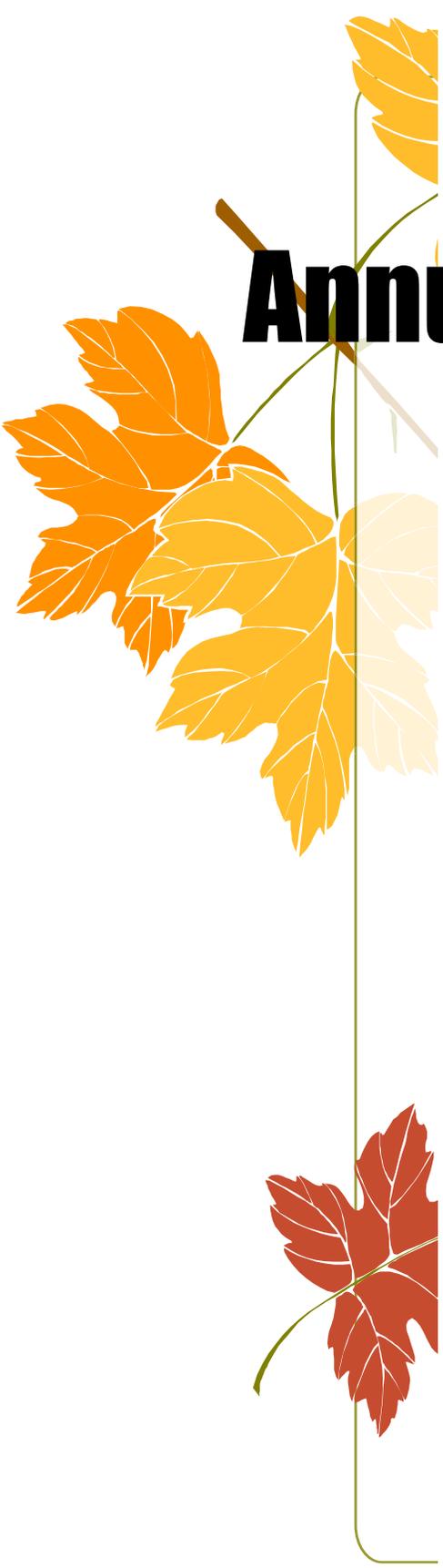
# Fall Cookout Tour

By  
Dan Schultz

On the morning of October 7<sup>th</sup> members of the Dairyland Tin Lizzies and their cars met at Rich Edler's place just south of Waldo for the start of the annual fall tour hosted this year by Dan and Phyllis Schultz, Rich and Andy Edler and Rod Prinsen; this tour was a scenic drive through the Kettle Moraine area of Sheboygan county and eastern Fondulac county with a cookout lunch stop of burgers, hotdogs, and manifold cooker treats with all of the fixings, at Wolf Lake just north of Mount Calvary. Most all of the participants drove their T's to the starting point; once underway there was a nice size group of 11 cars and 21 people to enjoy the perfect fall weather day in the T's. The tour route took us west to Fondulac county where the group stopped along one of the scenic back roads to load the manifold cookers with little smoky link sausages to be enjoyed by all at lunch time. Then it was north on to Seven Hills Road; it is a road with some good sized hills on it that offer some great views and a fun drive in a T, and on to Wolf Lake. There were a few brave souls who tested the waters of Wolf Lake only to find out that it was very chilly. After everyone satisfied their appetite and cleaned up the shelter we loaded everything back into the cars; our route continued south through the heart of the Northern Kettle Moraine offering some brilliant fall color and more great Model T roads. A few more turns and hills and even a couple of gravel

roads led us to Marshall's Citgo in Cascade for a pit stop and fuel for those that needed it. It was a good place to stop as a group to reflect on the day and those that had long drives ahead of them headed out from there. For the rest of us we headed east for the short ride back to Rich's place and to our final destinations to the north and south. Rich, Rod and I would like to thank everyone who participated and help make this a safe and fun filled day, and a special thanks to Phyllis for all of her prep work and baking for the lunch stop.





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# Annual Fall Business Meeting

Meeting area will be in the dining room with a buffet dinner to follow for those wishing to stay and eat.

If you are coming with your T from the south follow good old Blueberry Lane (just west of 57) north until it turns into E and follow that all the way to Millhome Supper club. It is a nice drive with the T.

SEE YOU ALL THERE!

*November 11*  
At 2 P.M.  
Millhome Supper  
Club  
Kiel, WI