

# The Buzz

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A Model T Sno Mobile in action



**Chapter of the MTFCA**



# President's Message

Kevin Brusco

Welcome back to a normal Wisconsin winter! I don't know about you, but I'm running out of room to pile the snow. If you have a warm place to work, it has been a great winter to tinker a little on your car, but if you don't, it's been a little tough. Hang in there; you'll be cruising along in your Model T before you know it. Winter doesn't have to be a time to put away your T, as I witnessed at the first annual Model T Ford Snowmobile Club rally in Cokato, MN. An article and a few photos appear in this issue of The Buzz, but I can tell you, Model T's don't run all that bad when the temperature is below zero. You certainly don't have to worry about overheating.

We had a great turnout at the holiday party in Ashippun, and a big thanks goes out to Adam & Chris and their helpers for putting it all together. The year ahead is looking very good, as we have a full touring calendar with two over-night / weekend tours, one headquartered in Baraboo, the other starting in West Bend, and heading north to Green Bay. Throw in some good weather, and these are going to be really great tours. Please read carefully the flyers included in this issue for these tours, and if you are able to make it Memorial Day Weekend on the "Sauk It To Me Tour" please call Steve McFadden as soon as possible to sign up. Pete & Shelly Humphrey are organizing the tour to Green Bay, so if you have any questions, or need additional information, give them a call, I'm sure they will help you out.

Make note that the date for our annual Tin Lizzie University at Vrana Auto Body in West bend has been rescheduled. Also coming up before the touring season is our spring business meeting. The meeting will be held April 6<sup>th</sup> at Heidel's Restaurant in Jackson. Please see the event calendar for more details. Remember, the spring business meeting is when we collect dues, and is also when we hold elections for club officers. If you would like to run for office, or would like to nominate someone for a position, please feel free to do so. In addition, if there are any agenda items you have in mind, or topics you would like to cover, please let me know before the meeting, and I will add them to the agenda.

See you on the road,  
Kevin Brusco

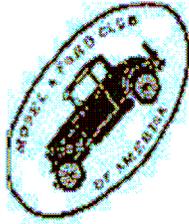
## Current Officers

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**SUNDAY**

**FEBRUARY 24, 2008**

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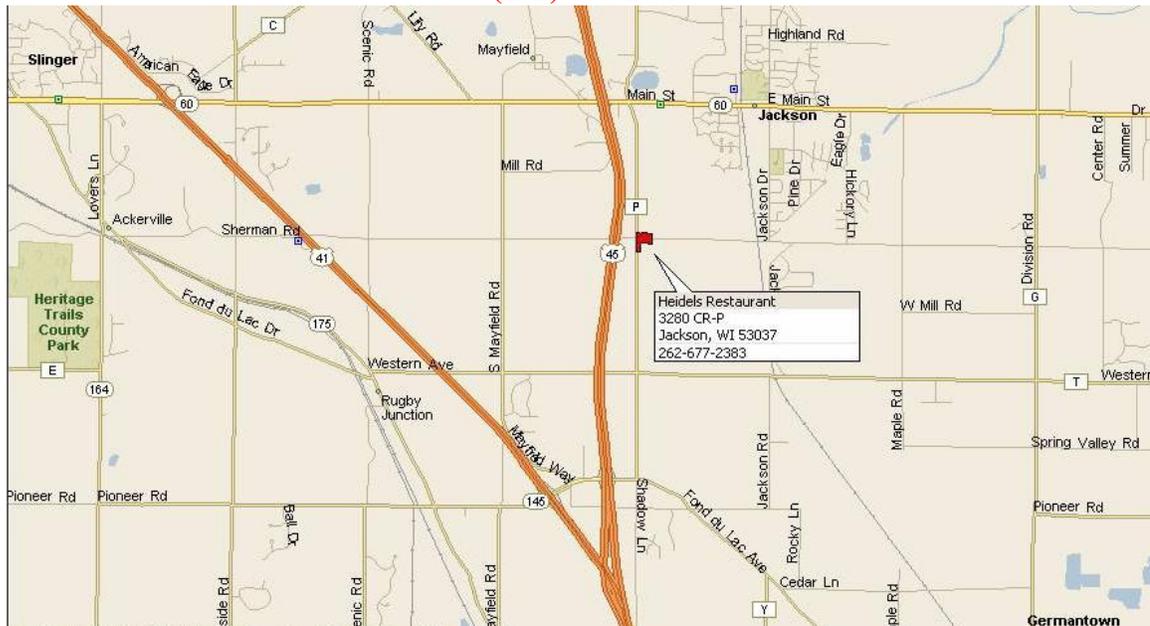
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**SPRING BUSINESS / ELECTION MEETING  
SUNDAY APRIL 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**Meeting at 2:00 and meal afterwards**

**Heidel's Restaurant  
3280 County Road P  
Jackson, WI 53037  
(262) 677-2383**



# Dairyland Tin Lizzies

## Minutes of November 11, 2007 Meeting

The fall meeting of the Dairyland Tin Lizzies was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Kevin Brusco on Sunday, November 11 at the Millhome Supper Club near Kiel, Wisconsin.

Present were:

Cliff & Lee Raye Baumann	John, Carol, & Paul Brodke	Kevin Brusco
Richard & Andy Edler	Michael & Heidi Finn	DeWayne & Diane Fritz
Shawn Gerrits	Keith & Carol Gumbinger	Jim Hess
Pete & Shelly Humphrey	Larry Lamont	Duane & Nita Nicholson
Harlyn Pilon	Scott & Carren Porter	Rod Prinsen
Jim & Colleen Rodell, Eric, Ethan	Jim Rodell, Sr.	Dan & Phyllis Schultz
Ron & Sandra Stock, Katie	Fred Streutz	Arlee & Sharon Titel
Joe Vrana	Bob Wirth	James Wright
Gregg Zangl		

Jim Hess moved to accept the minutes of the April 15, 2007 meeting as written, which were distributed at the November meeting. Joe Vrana seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Secretary Jim Rodell, Jr. distributed copies of the Treasurer's Report written by Treasurer Adam Doleshal. James Wright moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Ron Stock seconded the motion. Motion carried after discussion of having club treasury pay for upcoming Christmas party expenses, and club holds off on establishing a savings account.

Keith Gumbinger moved that the club treasury pay expenses for the club Christmas party to be held January 26. Ron Stock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Webmaster Carol Gumbinger requested digital pictures from members, and asked members to let her know of mistakes which need to be corrected on the club website.

As Vice President/ Membership Chair, Carol had nothing new to report.

Newsletter Editor Dan Schultz reported that he is mailing 16 to 17 copies of the club newsletter, and emailing the rest. The format for the printed copies is black and white for now. Dan thanked members for submitting articles and pictures for the newsletter, with special recognition to Kendall Gerrits for her article and pictures in the November issue of The Buzz.

Old Business:

Kevin Brusco reported on the June 9 tour to the Lake Geneva area and Yerkes Observatory hosted by Jim Hess and Carol Gumbinger.

Gregg Zangl reported on Old Falls Village Days held June 23 and 24.

Kevin Brusco reported on Flivver Fest held July 29, and thanked Shelly Humphrey and her committee for the event, which attracted 26 Model T's this year.

Jim Rodell, Sr reported on the Raspberry Festival hosted by Jerry Prochnow of the Kettle Moraine Chapter.

A report was given on the Hill and Valley tour hosted by the Wisconsin Capital Model T Club on September 15

Bob Wirth reported on the Richfield Historical Society Thresheree with two Model T tours organized by Tod for the Dairyland Tin Lizzies and the Model T Ford Club of Greater Milwaukee held on September 16. Sixteen Model T's were in attendance.

A report was given on the show sponsored by the South Shore YMCA organized by Kent Sumner of the Model T Ford Club of Greater Milwaukee.

Dan Schultz reported on the Fall Cookout Tour hosted by him and Phyllis, Rich and Andy Edler, and Rod Prinsen. Keith Gumbinger complimented the committee for the food, and Shawn Gerrits expressed his enjoyment driving his Model T on Seven Hills Road.

Jim Rodell Jr. reported on Model T Day held August 18 at Wisconsin Automotive Museum in Hartford. Approximately 30 Model T's attended on a rainy day.

Jim Wright commented that he would like a mailed copy of the newsletter, especially as a reminder for meetings.

Keith Gumbinger reminded members on tours to look out for the Model T behind them so that if someone breaks down, they are not left behind.

Katie Stock commented that she enjoys tours with few planned stops so the schedule is more relaxed.

#### New Business/Future Events:

The Dairyland Tin Lizzies Christmas party hosted by Adam & Christine Doleshal will be held at Harnischfeger Park near Ashippun on Saturday, January 26 at noon.

Tin Lizzie University will be held Saturday, February 16 at Vrana Frame and Body Shop in West Bend beginning at 1 p.m. Jim Hess volunteered to present a program at Tin Lizzie University detailing installation of turn signals on a Model T.

Jim Hess volunteered to contact Bill Stipe of Specialty Motor Cams near Plymouth for a field trip of his shop this spring.

President Kevin Brusco announced a Midwest Model T Snowmobile Club event to be held in Cokato, Minnesota January 19-20, 2008.

Keith Gumbinger moved that the Dairyland Tin Lizzies rent a club booth at a cost of \$30 at the Winter Parts Swap at Washington County Fair Park on Sunday, February 24, 2008 as in years past to promote our club, the Model T Ford Club of America, and the hobby. Jim Hess seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Brusco announced a pre-war swap meet to be held at Old Time Auto Parts in Cottage Grove, Wisconsin on Sunday, May 4.

President Brusco promoted the Model T Ford Club of America Centennial Celebration in Richmond, Indiana and the Piquette Chapter of the Model T Ford Club International's Celebration in September as events commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Model T Ford to be held in 2008.

Pete and Shelly Humphrey will chair Flivver Fest in Waterloo for 2008. The event will be moved to June 22, earlier than past years to avoid conflict with the centennial celebration in Indiana.

Pete and Shelly also expressed their desire to organize an overnight tour to Green Bay with visits to the National Railroad Museum, the Green Bay Packer Hall of Fame, and lunch at Curley's Pub.

The Dairyland Tin Lizzies are planning to hold "Model T Day" at the Wisconsin Automotive Museum in Hartford on Saturday, August 16. Jim Rodell, Jr. will check to confirm that the date will not interfere with other events in Hartford.

The Dairyland Tin Lizzies welcomes more events planned by its members, especially for the fall of 2008.

President Kevin Brusco reminded members to vote for candidates running to become board members of the Model T Ford Club of America. Kevin read a letter received from candidate Reginald Urness.

Pete and Shelly Humphrey will organize a location for the spring 2008 business meeting, tentatively set for April 6, 2008

Jim Hess moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:10 p.m. Shelly Humphrey seconded the motion.

Keith Gumbinger congratulated DeWayne and Diane Fritz and the Wirth families for their successes at the Model T Ford Club International National Tour held at Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Respectfully submitted,

James Rodell, Jr.  
Secretary, Dairyland Tin Lizzies

# Model T Snowmobile Rally

Cokato, MN, January 19<sup>th</sup> 2008

Submitted by Kevin Brusco

January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008. 5:15 am temperature -12, wind chill 31. Great numbers for the average emperor penguin, but for the rest of us, a great day to stay in bed and sleep until it's warmer outside. Or if you are just crazy enough, and a Model T Snowmobile enthusiast, you get up, start the truck, and begin the long journey to west central Minnesota for the first annual MTFCA Snowmobile Chapter Midwest Rally. Under normal circumstances, Model T's and common sense go very well together, but now and then you need to make exceptions!

I watched the outside temperature fall as far as -21 somewhere around Stevens Point, and my truck made some of those cold weather noises you only hear once in a while. I met up with my Dad in Wausau, and we continued on to Minneapolis. After lunch at my uncle's home, he and a friend joined us and we continued on the last hour of our journey to Cokato.

As we drove down one of Cokato's main streets, approaching the museum where the event was taking place, the thermometer had risen all the way up to -4, and the wind had died down quite a bit. We found the museum easily, and as we parked the car, there was a Model T Snowmobile just taking off to give a ride in the park next to the museum. What a cool sight! There was a total of four T's and one Model A with a late Sno-Bird kit installed. My dad and I both took a ride around the park in Terry Light's wood bodied pick-up with Sno-Bird running gear. I was able to snap a few photos before my trigger finger froze up, and we went inside the museum to enjoy a cup of hot cider and warm up a little. The museum itself was really pretty cool, and a great example of a small town historical society preserving the local history. Enjoy the following photos, and make plans to attend the event next year, it's definitely worth the trip.



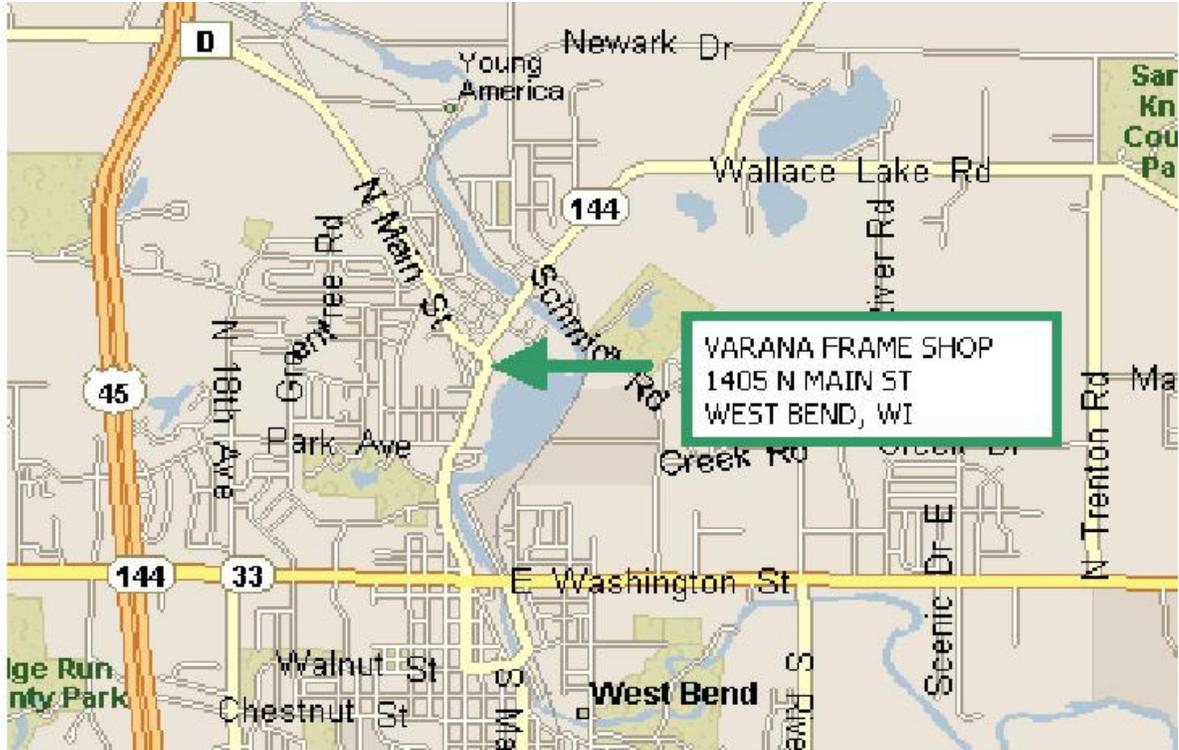


# TIN LIZZIE UNIVERSITY

**Saturday March 16, 2008**

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

Time: 1 to 5 PM



## **Scheduled Presentations**

**By**

**Jim Hess**

**Greg Zangl**

**Kevin Bruso**

**Covering turn signal installation for your T**

**Manifold straightening**

**Magneto tuning**

**Drive shaft bushing**

**and**

**U-Joint**

LET'S GO TOURING!!



## "SAUK" IT TO ME TOUR!!

Memorial Weekend  
May 24, 25, & 26

Tour the great back roads of Sauk County. Visit the Crane Foundation near Baraboo; the Surgeons Quarters in Portage, and whatever other surprises that Steve Mc Fadden comes up with. Tour headquarters is Best Western Motel in Baraboo (608-356-1100). We can have a **discount rate of \$79** if we commit to 10 rooms and **reserve by April 14**. The rate is \$99 after that date.

Trailer to the starting point in Baraboo, or get a group together and caravan with your T.

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**More tour and attraction information available soon!**

# Dairyland Tin Lizzies

## Events Schedule

### 2008

February 24	Swap Meet at the Washington County Fairgrounds
March 16	Tin Lizzie University at Joe Vrana Body Shop 1-5pm
April 6	Spring Business/Election Meeting 2PM Heidel's Restaurant Jackson, WI
May 24, 25, & 26	"Sauk" it to me tour in Baraboo, WI
June 21 & 22	Old Falls Village Days
June 22	Flivver Fest
July 4, 5, & 6	Green Bay Tour
July 21-26	National tour in Richmond, IN. 100 years for the Model T
August 16	Model T Day in Hartford
September 14	Richfield Days
September 15	Hill and Valley Tour in Cross Plains, WI
November 9	Fall Business Meeting location TBD

There are some nice tours and events planned for the upcoming season; hopefully everyone will be able to attend one or more. Be sure to thank the members responsible for putting these outings together, there is a lot of work that goes into one of these and it is nice that the Dairyland Tin Lizzies have people that are willing put these events on. As always if you know of some nice roads built especially for a T, plan a tour and you will get a handful cars to show up and enjoy them with you.