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November 13, 2019 6:30 Maple Tree Restaurant McFarland

Christmas Party More details coming

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Joe & Sandy Lacy



From the Prez:

Lions and Tigers Oh My. Another fantastic fall tour has come and gone. We had a large showing of drivers and navigators come on the tour this here. Friday was a beautiful day for a drive and tour of the Al Ringling restore theater. Saturday not so good. The rain came pouring down. The rain damped our bodies but not the groups enthusiasm. We really did see lions, tigers, leopards and more. The day ended with a chilly ride on the train at Mid-Continent Railway Museum. I would like to thank Shirley, Tom, Dawn and Sarah for all their hard work to make this an exceptional tour. Ray Teschke, Pres,. MBCG

Minutes of the Meeting 10/9/2019 By Shirley Smith

The meeting started at 6:40 with 19 people in attendance. We had 2 new members: Joe and Sandy Lacy. Welcome to the club.

Shirley read the minutes to the last meeting in September. Treasurer Dave Nordby was absent. Vice President Dave Griffith talked about the U.W. Homecoming Parade that he and Jack Bastien were going to be in. Web Master Ray Teschke said that the website is up to date thru the end of the year. We will have to renew it then.

Old Business: The Fall tour is over. Thanks to Sarah Teschke for getting the hotel for us to stay in, Dawn Farris for getting the restaurant for us to meet in on Friday and Saturday nights and Tom and Shirley Smith for getting the drives and tours to different places. Ray recapped the events of the weekend. The drive to the ferry, the Log Cabin Restaurant, the Al Ringling Theater, the Big Cat Rescue and the Mid-Continent Railway Museum. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves even though Saturday it rained (poured) most of the day.

New business: Holiday party- Sarah Teschke mentioned that she thought that we should brainstorm for a place in or near Madison. Judy and Gene have been gracious to share their home with us and would if we couldn't find a place. Dave Griffith volunteered to check out the Madison area and will report back next month. We would like it the beginning of January as December is so busy.

Winter activities: Tech sessions? Ladies day? Spring tour? Spring/ summer Picnic? All were tabled until next meeting.

Other new business: Car shows. One that was mentioned was Elkhart Lake as they have 3 of them, spring, summer, and fall. (Vintage weekend) These should be put on the calendar of the website.

Meeting was closed at 7:05. Shirley

Recap of the Fall Tour

By Shirley Smith

Tom and I would like to thank Sarah Teschke and Dawn Farris for their help in the Fall Tour. We had 14members from our club: Vic/Joy Soderstrom, Greg/Cindy Garnett, Dawn Farris, Steve Tobison, Dave/Nancy Spearing, Ray/Sarah Teschke, Gene/Judy Davis and Tom and I. There were 5 that have dual membership: Dave/Anne-Marie Hanson, Dave Jefferson, Charles/Anita Wojciechowski. There were 5 members from the Milwaukee MG3 club: Ed and Geri Lynn Kaufman, Ron Videkovich, Bob/Deb Jozwowski. Leaving from our house in Windsor we had 9 cars. We then picked up 3 more at the ferry and one more at the Log Cabin. 2 cars left us on Saturday but were joined by Gene and Judy Davis.

The tour at the AI Ringling Theater was great. They have put \$4.5 million in to restoring it and expect to put another million to finish it. The volunteers were very knowledgeable and excited about telling the story of the theater. If you get a chance to visit it, in my view, it's well worth the money. We had to leave early as the Baraboo High School had their homecoming parade coming and we would have been stuck there for a while if we hadn't left when we did. On to Reedsburg to the hotel and a meeting at J's Pub and Grill for an evening of getting to know the people in the group and re-acquainting with the ones that we haven't seen for a while!

Saturday started out rainy and got worse as the day went on. First we stopped to see the Big Cat Rescue at Rocks Springs. The man at the ticket counter was very informative. I had asked when we made reservations if we could drive our cars thru as we have a few that were handicap. They said yes and it was a good thing as it really started to rain then. Some did walk it but most drove. The cats were active and thought our car sounded like the vehicle that brought their food so they were pacing the fences!! (Didn't feel I needed to be their meal for the day!!) Another place to go if you get a chance. Then it was on to North Freedom to the Mid-Continent Railway Museum and a light lunch and then a train ride. It really rained then and so had to dodge the puddles to get to the train. A lot of people were there as it was there Vintage car weekend. They had guided tours thru some of the cars. Some took in the tour and enjoyed looking at the cars and what they are working on and have done. Most of the work is done by volunteers so it's busy on the weekends.

Then back to the hotels and to our last get together for the tour. Everyone then leaves on their own on Sunday morning. And of course the rain quit so wasn't too bad going home.

One last comment. This year's tour was one of the best that I think we had as far as turn out. I don't think we have had this many from our club in a very long time. Thank you to all that came and hope you enjoyed it. We will be sponsoring our next Fall Tour in 2022 so start thinking about where we might go. That time goes fast and it's takes a few months to set things up. This will be the last that Tom and I will be planning a tour. We will help whoever wants to do it, just not doing it.

Shirley