

Please join us for the 66th MTFCI Annual Tour on the scenic byways in and around Baraboo, Wisconsin - an area 1.5 billion years in the making! Our host hotel will be the Devil's Head Resort and will serve as the site for many of our tour activities, including the Car Show, Fashion Show, Youth Auction, and Closing Dinner. Trailer parking will be available on-site. Our campground options are listed in the box to the right, along with host hotel contact info.

Hotel amenities include an indoor pool, outdoor pool, two restaurant options (bar & grill, sit-down dining), various outdoor seating areas, landscaped grounds, and two 18-hole golf courses. Our group standard room rate is \$119/night, plus tax (with suites offered at \$139/night, plus tax), which includes a hot buffet breakfast.

Tour registration will open on Saturday afternoon and the MTFCI Board of Directors will hold its meeting that evening. There are some great local attractions that we just couldn't fit into the week of driving that participants arriving on Saturday may want to take in. We'll have more details on those in a later issue.

Our daily driving tour chairs have been working on some great tours for you! Final details are still being ironed out, but here is what our schedule looks like so far.

Sunday: Get to Know the Area Tour

This tour route will give you the opportunity to explore the Baraboo area at your own pace. The tour will introduce you to many of the important businesses you may need during your visit. It will also stop at beautiful Devil's Lake State Park, a scenic bit of the Badger state you won't want to miss. The Park was founded in 1911 and at one point had five resort hotels. Park the T and walk one of the many trails – they range from novice to strenuous! Views from the rocky bluffs surrounding the lake are outstanding!

At the hotel, registration for the tour will take place throughout the day on Sunday, followed by a tour kick-off gathering in the evening.

Monday - Car Show/Trains and Cats Tour

We will hold our car show and judging in the morning at the host hotel. After the show, we will tour over to the Dorf Haus Supper Club, in the German-American town of Roxbury, for a button-busting buffet lunch. From there it is on to the Mid-Continent Railway Museum, an outdoor living history museum with an operating railroad. Our last tour stop of the day will be at the Wisconsin Big Cat

Rescue, home to lions, tigers, leopards, lynx, and liligers (that's not a typo)!

On Monday evening we will converse and laugh with friends old and new at our ice cream social in the parking lot of the host hotel while we watch the youth participate in a variety of T-related games!

Tuesday - Sauk Prairie Tour

Driving through the countryside of Sauk County, we will stop at Delaney's Salvage, a full-service dealer of surplus, wholesale, and closeouts. The next stop will be Dr. Evermore Sculpture Park, home to the largest scrap metal sculpture in the world. Then it's off to the Cedar Grove Cheese Factory for a Wisconsin cheese tasting. Next, on to the town of Leland for a delicious box lunch. Country roads will take us back to Devil's Head Resort.

Tuesday evening it's time to get into your finest vintage clothes for the Fashion Show, back at the hotel ballroom.

Wednesday - A-Z Wisconsin Byways

Did you know that Wisconsin was the first state to officially mark and number its state highways? While the state was busy doing that, the counties of Wisconsin chose letters to designate their own roads using an alphabet soup of single and double letters. Of course, each county used their own letters, so it's not uncommon to cross a county border and have County B change to County MM below your feet! Our longest tour of the week will challenge your navigator as we travel through the largest Amish settlement in Wisconsin, the geographic population center of the state, and Portage – the third oldest settlement Wisconsin – at the junction of the Fox and Wisconsin Rivers. Wisconsin bratwurst for lunch? You bet!



Thursday - River Valley Tour

This tour will take you through the rolling hills of the Wisconsin River Valley and Driftless areas of scenic Wisconsin. Make sure your brake bands are tight and stretch out your low pedal muscles – some of these roads will be steep (for the Midwest!). A box lunch will be served at the Wisconsin Riverside Resort, located on the beautiful banks of the Wisconsin River.

Car show awards will be presented that evening at the hotel, just before we start the Youth Foundation auction. Bring your cash and support the MTFCI youth!

Friday - Circus World Tour

Baraboo was the winter home for several circuses over the years and was also the home of the Ringling Brothers when they began their circus in 1884. In the 1950's, Circus World Museum was opened to acquire, preserve, and showcase the history of the circus. The Museum has grown from one acre and six old circus wagons to over 64 acres and 30 permanent structures! We will tour from the host hotel to the museum to see a number of exhibits, as well as some circus shows. After that we'll have lunch at the facility before closing out our week of touring with some easy country driving.

Friday evening, we will cap off the 66th Annual Tour with our Closing Dinner and Tour Awards while the youth enjoy a pizza and pool party.

Vintage Fashion Show

Please start planning for the Fashion Show! We will be having all our usual categories this year: Original & Non-Original, Individuals, Couples, Families, and Kids, as well as two new categories - Wisconsin Theme and Hats. There will be awards for all winners. Contact Sheryl Stier with questions at sastier@prodigy.net. Also new this year: anyone who drives the day's tour in vintage clothing will be entered into a daily drawing for fabulous prizes! Those clothes aren't just for the catwalk anymore!

Youth Activities

Our Youth Activities coordinators are busily preparing for the tour and have some cool ideas that we are still finalizing. We know for sure we'll be having kids games, a craft night, and a pizza/pool party on Friday night. Look for additional info in future issues. Remember that registration and youth activities for all youth age 17 and under are free, thanks to the Steve and Dianne Bumgarner Youth on Tour Fund!

Parts and Service

A parts vendor is planning to have a parts trailer available on site at the host hotel. We will also be setting up a service area for working on your Model T's, right next to the resort's maintenance building that has power

and water available. In addition, there will be a hose and an area designated for washing your car.

For more information

Please visit our website at 2023ModelTTour.com to register your e-mail for instant updates as new information becomes available. On behalf of our Tour Committee of Midwest Chapter members, we look forward to seeing you in July 2023!

Bob and Jen Solak 2023 MTFCI Annual Tour Chairs 2023ModelTTour@gmail.com

VISIT THE TOUR WEBSITE!

For more tour information or a link to online hotel registration, visit the tour website at 2023ModelTTour.com or use the OR code below.



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