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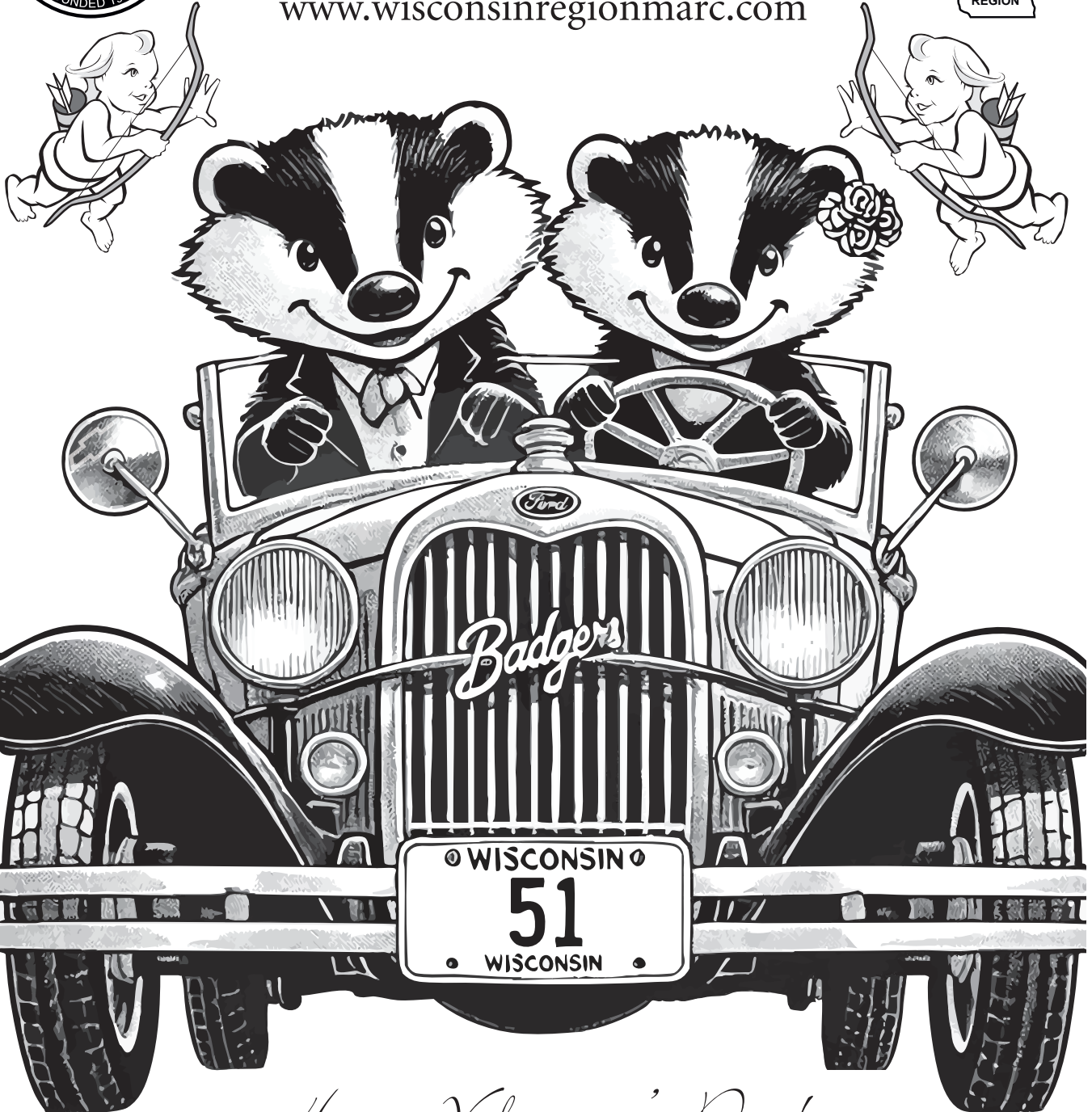


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*Happy Valentine's Day!*

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**Comments from the Coupe**

*Earl Gritton, President*

It was good to see all of you who made it to the January meeting. I know it has been a busy time of year so thanks for taking the time to attend. Thanks to you, Roger for helping host and for providing the delicious BBQ. And thanks to the rest of you who helped set up, serve and clean up. I say again, this is truly a great group.

A reminder that Fritz will welcome your offer to host a meeting and/or assist with arranging an activity. I know some things have been suggested to him and he has some ideas of his own. I'm remembering when I first joined the club, we often met in people's homes, garages or shops and the attendance was not that different than it is now.

We're still in need of someone to assume the Editor and Webmaster positions. If you would like to learn more about the positions and responsibilities just visit with him and/or members of the board of directors. I think you'll find that you can handle what is needed.

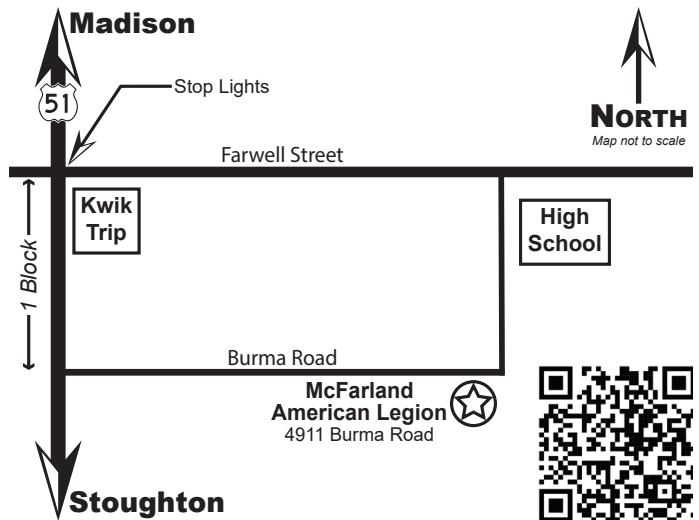
See you next month, if not before.

**Sunshine Report**

*Karen Walheim*

*Brighten these members' day with a card, phone call, or a visit*

Mary Lou Droster fell, broke her C1 vertebra, and is in a neck brace. She is on the road to recovery.



**February Club Meeting**

**Saturday, February 8th, 2025**

**McFarland American Legion**

The February monthly meeting will be held at the McFarland American Legion on Saturday, February 8th, located at 4911 Burma Road. Doors will open at 12:30, with potluck lunch at 1:00.

Dale & Gloria Metcalf will provide the main meal, coffee and water. Members need to bring a dish to share for the potluck. The Meeting will be after lunch.

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**For Sale:** Aluminum Rain Gutters for Model A Pickup, New. Part #A-47301-A, fits '28-'31. \$10. Tony, (920) 350-2291.

**For Sale:** 1930 Model A Coupe project car. Hard stuff is done: interior, black body paint, red pinstriping, matching powder-coated wheels. *Some assembly required.* Owner passed with car in process. \$8000. Motivated seller, take a look & make an offer. Richard, (608) 221-2198.

**For Sale:** 1930 Tudor project car, owner passed w/ car in process. Solid sheet metal, new top & headliner mostly installed, comp. L-B interior w/ seats reupholstered to put back in car, rear fenders in primer. \$7000. Motivated seller, take a look & make an offer. Richard, (608) 221-2198.

**For Sale:** 1931 Ford Model A slant windshield. \$11,000. Dick Ziegert, (920) 725-7810 or polka635@gmail.com.

**For Sale:** 6V pos-ground GM alternator w/ 3/4" pulley. Painted black, in good shape. \$75. Tom, (920) 787-5317.

**For Sale:** 1930 front plain fenders. In excellent to mint condition, straight & no bead breaks, some orig. black paint on the underside & old repaint outside. \$2600 for the pair. Jim, (262) 818-4342.

**For Sale:** 1936 Chevy V8 Sedan. Auto, power windows, brakes, new rear end. \$8,000. Lee, (414) 573-0779.

**For Sale:** 1929 Model A Truck. Small flatbed, no cab, full front clip w/ running boards, runs & looks good. \$4600 OBO. Also have a 7'x9' flatbed, will fit AA or BB. \$100. Dan Plank (414) 759-4483.

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## **Monthly Meeting Hosts Needed**

There are several months available for a member to host one of our monthly meetings in 2025. You can also co-host a meeting by partnering up with other club members.

We have a date and location for the March meeting, March 15th at the McFarland American Legion, but are in need of hosts for it. For the months of May through December, we need both hosts and a location.

As always, check the Upcoming Events column to see the available dates. Contact Fritz Ragatz for more details.

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*Tony Sillman, Editor*

We welcome a new advertiser this year. As many know, club member Tama Griffin runs a nutrition club in Waterloo, in the same building that husband Ron has his diesel shop. Stop at Tama's for a smoothie, than head down the hill to talk shop at Ron's.

Thanks to all of our advertisers for helping to put out this newsletter. Be sure to patronize their businesses and let them know you're with the Wisconsin Region.

Do you know of any businesses that would be a good fit in our newsletter? Talk with them about advertising, if interested, forward the information to Matt McCord, our advertising chairman. As you can see, you're not limited to just a business card sized ad. You may be seeing more double-wide or double-high ads.

The cover image this month is courtesy of Artificial Intelligence, told the program I wanted a Model A and Badgers for Valentine's Day. I added the cupids, flower and Ford logo. The cover is also in celebration of our Speedster finally going in for repairs, after being *pushed off the road* last May.

As a reminder, I did put notice in for stepping down as both the Editor and the Webmaster. One person does not need to volunteer for both positions. Anyone interested in taking over either one, please contact with me any questions.

## **Club MARC Mileage Coordinator Wanted**

Martha Sillman is stepping down as our Mileage Coordinator, and we're looking for someone to take over. For this low-demand position you track the end-of-year mileage for our participating members and send to MARC. If you have any questions about this position, or are interested in volunteering, please contact Martha.

## **One of the MARC National Benefits**

As a member of MARC, you can run a free 40 word classified ad in the bi-monthly publication *Model "A" News*. Check your latest *Model "A" News* for complete details.

## **59th ANNUAL GREATER MILWAUKEE AREA WINTER SWAP MEET**

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## February Celebrations

### Birthdays

Richard Concklin  
Luke Griffin  
Linda Junck  
Robert Pertzborn  
Phyllis Wiederhoeft

### Anniversaries

Dennis & Janice Mack  
Don & Rita McCord

## Upcoming Events

*This is list of events we have so far, more may be added later.  
Non-Club events have an asterisk by the date.*

February 8th.....Monthly Meeting  
Metcalf/American Legion McFarland  
February 23rd\* .....Annual Winter Swap Meet  
Wisc Chapt MAFCA/Washington County Fairgrounds  
March 15th .....Monthly Meeting  
HOSTS NEEDED!/American Legion McFarland  
April 11th-13th\* .....MARC Membership Meet  
Nashville, IN  
April 12th.....Monthly Meeting  
Bursaw & Walheim/Living Water Church, Sun Prairie  
April 25th-26th\* .....Jefferson Swap Meet  
Jefferson WI  
May .....Monthly Meeting  
Host/Location Needed  
May\* ..... National Tour  
TBD  
May 26th.....Memorial Day Parades  
Possible Paid Event - Monona and McFarland  
June .....Monthly Meeting  
Host/Location Needed  
June 1st ..... RockFord Model A Day  
Clinton WI  
June 16th-20th\* ..... MARC National Meet  
Gettysburg, PA  
July .....Monthly Meeting  
Host/Location Needed  
July .....Edgerton Tobacco Day Parade  
Possible Paid Event - Edgerton  
July 4th.....Fourth of July Parade  
Possible Paid Event - Columbus, WI  
July 10th-12th\* .....Iola Old Car Show & Swap Meet  
Iola WI  
July 25th-27th\* .....Wisconsin Model A Reunion  
Wisconsin Rapids WI  
August.....Monthly Meeting  
Host/Location Needed  
August\* .....Badger Steam & Gas Flea Market  
Badger Steam & Gas Showgrounds/Baraboo  
September.....Monthly Meeting  
Host/Location Needed  
September\* .....Hill & Valley Day  
Baer Park /Cross Plains WI  
September 13th\* .....International Model A Ford Day  
Drive your Model A, Promote our Hobby!  
September 26th-27th\* .....Jefferson Swap Meet  
Jefferson WI  
October.....Monthly Meeting  
Host/Location Needed  
November .....Annual Club Banquet & Meeting  
Location Needed  
November 16th.....Wisconsin Region MARC  
68th Anniversary

## January Board Meeting Minutes

Jan Concklin, Secretary/Treasurer

We met Sunday, January 5 with all board members present. We went over the guidelines for each position for the benefit of our two new board members. We discussed our improving finances, the 2025 calendar and the need for an Editor. We all agreed that our newsletter is exceptional, but might be scary for those with limited computer skills. Jan will work up a mock-up simplified newsletter for presentation at the next member meeting.

After comparing the finances for 2023 vs 2024, we have made some good progress by increasing our income and decreasing our expenses in 2024.

## January Club Meeting Minutes

Jan Concklin, Secretary/Treasurer

Our monthly meeting was held on Saturday, January 11 at the Asbury Church in Madison, with hosts Earl Gritton and Roger Frey. Earl welcomed and thanked everyone for coming, pledges were said. There were no new members in attendance, but one guest, Kelvin Johnson, son of Terry & Deb Johnson. A total of 28 were in attendance.

The Secretary's report was approved as printed in the last newsletter. Jan read the Treasurer's report for December, approved as read.

Vice President: Fritz went over the 2025 calendar. We have the usual parades. Bruce Company has said they want us again. We NEED some feedback on the location for the annual November banquet: go back to Club 60 or does anyone have another suggestion? Need to finalize and lock that in ASAP. The February 8 and March 15 meetings will be at the American Legion in McFarland, volunteers to host March welcomed. After April, the rest of 2025 is available.

No Editor's and Sunshine Reports or Old Business.

New Business: Jan talked about the newsletter. Tony has served as Editor for several years, and is stepping down. She presented what a newsletter might look like for someone with limited skills using Microsoft Word, but still containing the necessary information needed for good communication. If anyone would like to consider this job, talk to one of the Board members.

Motion to adjourn made by Robert Anderson and seconded.

## Roster Updates

Mary Lou Droster has moved to a new room, but still has the same street address and phone number:

Mary Lou Droster  
c/o Home Again Living  
1120 Connery Cove Room 113  
Wauwaukee WI 53597

Carol Resop has added an email, caresop@gmail.com.

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