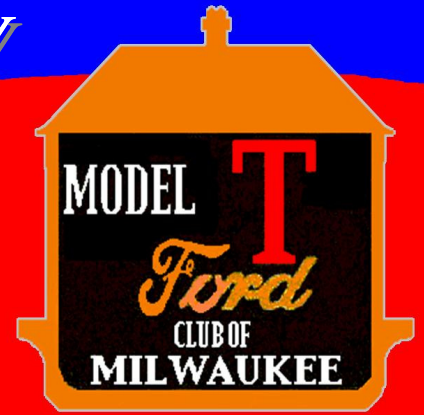




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VENERABLE FIRE COMPANY MUSEUM

Eleven of us made trip north to Slinger Wisconsin to view all the Fire Apparatus housed at The Venerable Fire Company. Some of us have been here before, but it still is a sight to see. We also had the chance to see Jeff Schmittinger's old fire truck. Jeff purchased the truck as a visual aide for his chimney cleaning company and had it for 5 or 6 years. We also heard a story involving the trucks electrical system, But I will not repeat it here. There has to be 40 or so fire trucks and pieces of equipment. The oldest piece of apparatus was the 1889 water tower. Originally horse drawn and later changed to motorized. This water tower was in service until 1967. There are many trucks from the early 1900's through the 1960's on display. Plus in the back of the Museum there is a collection of the fire communications equipment. The fire call boxes, and the station recorders/annunciators. Go to Page 10



Jeff & Gary with Jeff's old Fire Truck



Model T enters the 21st Century

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