

Tin Lizzies

Dale Edwards, August 1, 2008

With the Huntington Beach parade successfully completed, we look forward to continuing the 2008 parade season with the La Habra and Big Bear parades coming up in early August. We always have a good time on that adventure, but it will likely be past by the time you read this. So looking forward, we're happy that our Captain Al will be recovered enough from being under the weather to join us in Big Bear, since he missed the great 4th of July parade. Sadly, Brother Frank Greer has not yet recovered enough from his stroke to again drive his Lizzie, but he hopes to come and be a sidelineer with the Lizzie Ladies. Umm, I wonder if this is just a ruse.

At our June meeting, Ed Roberts showed samples he made of the trophy stand for the new Tin Lizzie Plaque which displays a new smaller die cast Tin Lizzie car. This is the "token of appreciation" item which is given to our outgoing unit Captains and to the Potentate at our official visit, and replaces the larger motorized Lizzie model which are all gone and no longer in production. Ed's sample new Plaques were heartily approved by the membership and we look forward to resuming our Lizzie gift tradition at our official Pote's visit coming up on September 7.

As noted last month, we have a couple of "full size" motorized Lizzies that are available to potential new members. These are truly fun cars to drive in parades, and most people on the street remember them and associate them favorably with the Shrine. And it is fun. So this is your chance to become part of the legend, and we'd love to have you and your Lady join us. Just call our Captain, Al Jazwiecki, at (949) 374-2688 to get an application for the unit. If he is prepping his car for the next parade, put in a call to our Lieutenant, John Rowe, at (714) 637-5025, or check us out on the El Bekal website.