## **BARABOO/LAVENDER OUTING**

We met at the Lavender Farm on a wonderful sunny day. Due to a scheduling issue at the Farm our spa day did not happen. Instead Laura and I had the whole day to explore Baraboo and the surrounding area. We said our goodbyes to the fellas and proceeded to downtown which to our surprise was hosting their annual Big Top Parade and Circus Celebration. Well I can tell you this girl really loves a parade and I was not alone judging by the hundreds of kids of all ages that had gathered along the streets of Baraboo. The owner of the farm also had a bistro located along the parade route so we were able to get a table and enjoy the festivities. Circus World brought out some of their very elaborate circus wagons, some of which had not been seen in over 30 years. There were marching bands, clowns, a trio of elephants and a very calm giraffe that looked high above the crowd from a one of a kind wagon. Shopping was next on the agenda and we did our fair share. There were so many charming little shops along with quite a few antique shops that we poked around in. Many purchases were made. In fact the Drug store was having a sidewalk sale with unbelievable prices so both of us left with quite a large shopping bag and many, many treasures. The area around Baraboo is so beautiful we took a scenic route through Devil's Lake State Park before meeting up with the guys for dinner at Glacier Rock. Thank you Laura for planning and not canceling a very fun day.

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