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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ November 12 - Osage Hills Road Rally
Noon @ Homeland grocery store
Gilcrease Museum Road and Edison
(west end of parking lot) - Will end up at the Birthday Party
 - ◆ November 12 - 2nd Annual Club Birthday Party
3:00 PM @ Tulsa's Chandler Park - Shelter #1
6500 W. 21st Ave.
 - ◆ November 15 - NEO Miata Club Monthly Meeting
7:00 PM Mazzio's @ South Pointe Shopping Center
101st & Sheridan
 - ◆ November 18 - Jenks Christmas Parade
8:30 AM @ ORU Mabee Center Marquee
81st & Lewis
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- ◆ December 9 - Christmas Party
Time & Place To Be Announced
 - ◆ December 20 - NEO Miata Club Monthly Meeting & Christmas Light Tour
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- ◆ January 17 - NEO Miata Club Monthly Meeting

From the President

Mac Arnett

The month of October has come and gone and fall is here. The leaves are changing and TOP-DOWN weather will soon be gone. I got my fix on the way to Daytona for the "DAYTONA 2000" event. No freeways going, we drove back roads, boy what fun.

Almost 400 Miatas showed up for the event. We slept by the ocean, ate seafood and talked MIATA for three days. Daytona Speedway is worth the trip alone. We got to tour the track, as well as drive on it, and go up in the Winston Towers and to the very top where the photographers set up and it was SPEC-TACULAR.

I did not find out too much about the tiff between Barbara Beach and Vince Tidwell, but I did speak to both and I will let you know more at the meeting.

There sure were a lot of RED CARS (about 100), WHITE & BLACK (about 50 each) and there were 17 BRG'S and 35 States were represented.

We had a Caribbean Dinner on the patio of the Adams Mark and what a show, it rained but nobody cared. Mike & Brenda and Leta & I had a great time and we have pictures to prove it. We traded CLUB PINS and made new friends, which always makes for a GOOD TIME.

POP THAT TOP!

Mac

Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2000

Visitors were George Kirkland and Rod Dunn.

Earl talked about the drive Saturday. Mike Meyer mentioned the Daytona national event. Earl talked about the road rally and wants to add the club birthday party at the end of the road rally. We voted on adding the club party to the road rally and it passed and will be at Chandler Part on November 12th, we will meet at noon for the Road Rally.

November 18th is the Jenks Christmas parade.

We talked about the club Christmas party and it was suggested that if no one volunteers a place for the party it will be at Mazzio's.

Mac talked about the controversy at the Miata club of America and going to Daytona for the National Event.

Ann Duckett brought up the fact that we are running short of pins and should be buy more. A discussion on how many pins should be given new members resulted in a vote and we will still only give the new members one pin per car. Vote was unanimous to order more pins. The next discussion was on if the club should buy two walkie-talkies for club drives. Vote was unanimous and Robert Baldwin and Tim Gheen are the committee to find the radios. Joe Bohannon had a call from Memorial High School; they needed convertibles to drive their queens around at Homecoming. No interest was shown.

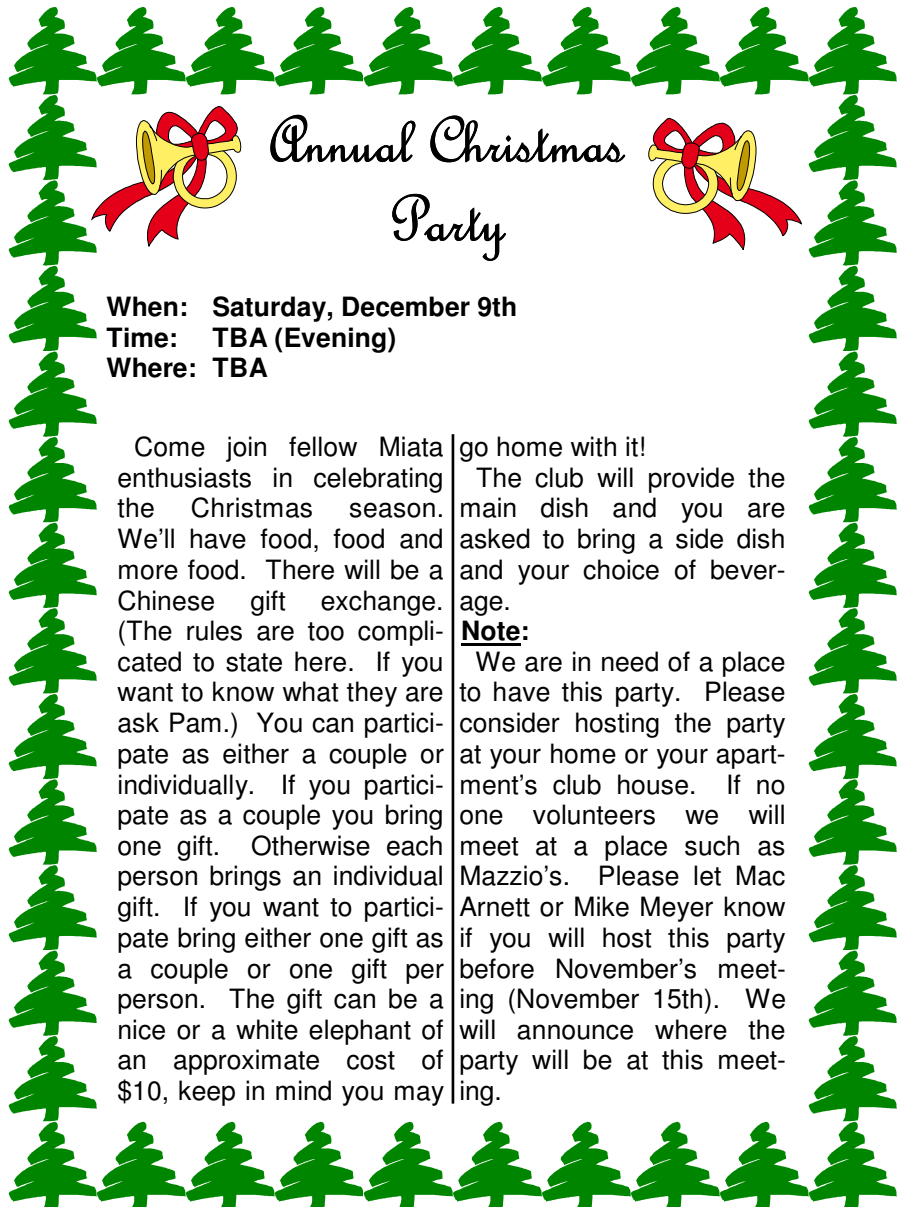
Kim needs pictures by the next meeting to put in the December newsletter.

Meeting adjourned.

New Members:

- ◆ Rodney & Martha Jones
Mahogany Special Edition

Minutes by Leta Arnett for
Gene Bedingfield
Secretary/Membership Chairperson



Annual Christmas Party

When: Saturday, December 9th
Time: TBA (Evening)
Where: TBA

Come join fellow Miata enthusiasts in celebrating the Christmas season. We'll have food, food and more food. There will be a Chinese gift exchange. (The rules are too complicated to state here. If you want to know what they are ask Pam.) You can participate as either a couple or individually. If you participate as a couple you bring one gift. Otherwise each person brings an individual gift. If you want to participate bring either one gift as a couple or one gift per person. The gift can be a nice or a white elephant of an approximate cost of \$10, keep in mind you may

go home with it!

The club will provide the main dish and you are asked to bring a side dish and your choice of beverage.

Note:

We are in need of a place to have this party. Please consider hosting the party at your home or your apartment's club house. If no one volunteers we will meet at a place such as Mazzio's. Please let Mac Arnett or Mike Meyer know if you will host this party before November's meeting (November 15th). We will announce where the party will be at this meeting.

Pictures Needed!

I would like to have December's newsletter to be a year in review with pictures of events we had during 2000. Please bring your pictures to November's meeting (November 15th) with your name, event and date of event. I will return the pictures at the next meeting. Or if

the pictures are in a digital format you can email them to me at



keajhand@olp.net. This will be a great issue if I can get enough pictures.

SECOND ANNUAL CLUB BIRTHDAY PARTY & PICNIC



When: Sunday, November 12th

Time: 3:00 PM

Where: Tulsa's Chandler Park

Shelter #1 (on top of the hill past the pool)
6500 W. 21st Ave.

Chef: Mike Meyer

Phone: 918.243.7518 (H)

918.261.7518 (M)



December's Newsletter

Deadline:
Saturday,
November
25th



As you well know the Club Birthday Party was postponed due to the state-wide burn ban. The tour event guys came up with a great idea (that's why we elected them)! The Birthday Party will be held immediately after the Osage Road Rally. You can go on the Road Rally and if you follow Rod's clues you will end up at Chandler Park. However, if you don't want to attend the Road Rally just show up around 3:00 for the food!

The club will provide the hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments, chips and cake. Please bring a side dish and your choice of beverage. This should be a great fall afternoon. What more could you ask for? Great food, great friends & great cars!

Osage Hills Road Rally

When: Sunday, November 12th

Time: Noon

Where: Homeland grocery store at
Gilcrease Museum Road and Edison
(west end of parking lot).

Rallymaster: Rod Van Koughnet

Phone: 481-3420 (H)

email: chrisnrod@ionet.net

Enjoy your Miata on the scenic twisties of the Osage Hills. This will be a gimmick rally where you and your navigator test your navigation skills while answering obscure questions. Prizes will be awarded for the three teams that answer the most questions correctly. The scenic route is around 60 miles long, finishing at the club's Birthday Party at Chandler Park, but many of the questions are tricky enough to cause a lot of backtracking. Expect the rally to take two hours or a little more. Speed and time based competition do not enter into this rally. Its more of a casual drive.

Please bring:

- ◆ a navigator
- ◆ a clipboard or something stiff to write on
- ◆ a pen.

If you can't make it to the Road Rally, be sure and come to the Birthday Party (see above).

Jenks Holiday Parade

When: Saturday, November 18th

Time: 8:30 AM

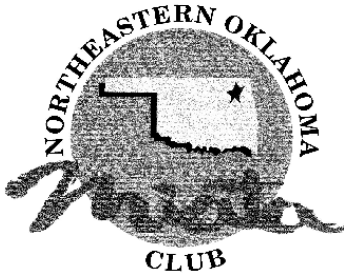
Where: ORU Mabee Center Marquee
81st & Lewis

Lead Sleigh: Joel "Vrrroom" Claus &
Ali-santa Fallini

Ho! Ho! Ho! Polish up your sleighs, hook up your reindeer and let's all join the Jenks Holiday Parade!!!! This is an annual event for the Miata Club, and as past attendees know it is a fun one. As usual we will meet under the big sign in the parking lot on the west side of the ORU Mabee Center (just north of 81st & Lewis). We plan to munch on some donuts for breakfast, then head over to the staging area for the parade. There will be some time to decorate our Miatas with garland, wreaths, amazing animated robot elves, etc. (optional). Be sure to bring a lot of candy to toss. One of the best parts of the parade is watching the reaction of the kids catching candy all along the parade route. Hope to see you there!

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Top Down Tales

Ed.

Several weeks ago my wife and I went on Earl and Dorthy's ride through the hills of eastern Oklahoma. When we started it wasn't raining but it started to rain half way through. As we were going through this winding road with a bunch of Low Water Bridges (LWB) (culverts with cement over them) I was bringing up the rear and was very mindful of Mike & Brenda's accident. I was staying back, not driving fast, taking the curves slow. As we turned the corner all the Miatas had slowed up to go over one of these LWB. I lightly stepped on the brakes and the car started fish-tailing. Everything after that happened so fast and I was ready to meet my Maker, but my Maker said not yet and stopped us

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with the car pointing in the opposite direction with the front passenger wheel off the LWB. By the time I found that the oil pan was not touched, (oh yeah and that my wife was OK) the other cars had made it back and several good size husky locals stopped to offer their help. With Poppa Joe's ingenuity and the brute strength of the two big angels that had stopped we got the car back

on the road and headed for the food!
Thanks to God for his mercy, like Mike and Brenda we were able to walk away from a potentially bad situation. I'm going to suggest we invoke *Mike Meyer's rule of Rain* when it rains!

Zoom, Zoom, Zoom!

Kim