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FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT MISSED THE NOVEMBER MEETING, WHICH WAS "STANDING ROOM ONLY"? NEO MIATA HAS REACHED THE 100 CAR MEMBERSHIP LEVEL AND THERE ARE FOUR MEMBERSHIPS PENDING SO WE WILL EXCEED THE 100 CAR GOAL BEFORE YEAR END. THIS IS THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF MEMBERSHIP SINCE THE CLUB WAS FORMED AROUND 1990. THIS GOAL WAS DUE TO THE GROUP ACTING COLLECTIVELY BY PLACING CARDS ON MIATAS ALL OVER TOWN, TALKING TO ANYONE WHO WILL LISTEN ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF JOINING, AND BEING FRIENDLY TO THE PUBLIC AND OTHER MIATA OWNERS. NELSON MAZDA HELPED A LOT BY PROVIDING A ONE-YEAR MEMBERSHIP TO EACH NEW MIATA BUYER AT THE DEALERSHIP. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THE NEW AND OLD MEMBERS FOR BEING A PART OF THIS VISION.

IN 2005, WE HAVE HAD 35 NEW MEMBERS SIGN UP. BECAUSE OF THIS GROWTH, GEORGE WALKER, OUR VICE-PRESIDENT, HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO COORDINATE A NEW MENTOR PROGRAM FOR NEW MEMBERS. SEVERAL MEMBERS HAVE ALREADY VOLUNTEERED TO ACT AS MENTORS FOR NEW MEMBERS. LET GEORGE KNOW IF YOU WANT TO HELP WITH THIS PROGRAM. I AM AFRAID TO SET A GOAL OF 200, BUT PERHAPS A LEVEL OF 150 IN 2006 MAY BE ATTAINABLE, TIME WILL TELL.

MAC YOUNG WON THE "SHOOT OUT AT THE MIATA CORRAL" FOR BEING THE FIRST MEMBER TO DRIVE A "2006 SPECIAL EDITION" TO A CLUB MEETING. THERE WAS A RUNNER UP BUT THE CLUB "HOOTED" HIM DOWN AND THE PRIZE WENT TO MAC AND SUZANNE YOUNG.

WITH THE LARGER MEMBERSHIP, MORE CARS ARE SHOWING UP FOR EVENTS. THE JENKS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE HAD 20 CARS AND THE DECORATIONS WERE THE BEST EVER. BRIAN WHITT WAS THE JUDGE FOR THE ORIGINALITY AWARD AND THE MOST TRADITIONAL AWARD. AS MOST EVERYONE KNOWS, JENKS DID NOT ALLOW ANY CANDY THIS YEAR. IT WAS A SAD SIGHT TO SEE THE LITTLE CHILDREN WITH THEIR PLASTIC BAGS HELD UP FOR CANDY AND NONE TO BE FOUND. ATTENDANCE AND PARADE ENTRIES WERE DOWN. JENKS SHOULD RE-THINK THE DECISION TO ELIMINATE THE CANDY.

AS SHOWN ELSEWHERE IN THIS NEWSLETTER, WE ARE PLANNING TO GO TO THE HOMINY CHRISTMAS PARADE ON THE THIRD OF DECEMBER. GUESS WHAT? WE CAN PASS OUT CANDY TO THE KIDS SO LET US SHOW HOMINY WHAT MIATAS ARE ALL ABOUT. A MEMBER WHO LIVES IN HOMINY INVITED US TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PARADE. WE ARE TRULY A NEO CLUB. PLANS ARE BEING DISCUSSED

TO ENTER OTHER PARADE EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR SO STAY TUNED. THIS APPROACH WILL LET US COMBINE A PARADE WITH ATTENDANCE AT A LOCAL EVENT SO EVERYONE WINS.

THE LATEST COUNT FOR THE JANUARY CRUISE MAC AND SUZANNE YOUNG ARE PUTTING TOGETHER IS 14 COUPLES. THE TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR THE 2006 EVENTS HAS ALMOST SOMETHING HAPPENING EVERY WEEKEND DURING THE YEAR. GENE BEDINGFIELD, THE NEW TOUR DIRECTOR AND HIS TWO ASSISTANTS, MAC YOUNG AND RODNEY JONES, ARE IN HIGH GEAR ALREADY AND 2006 SHOULD BE AN EXCITING YEAR.

THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS UNDERWAY AND SARA AND I HOPE EVERYONE HAD A BOUNTIFUL THANKSGIVING. THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LIGHT TOUR AFTER THE DECEMBER MEETING AND THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY WILL BE TWO OF THE MOST FUN EVENTS OF THE YEAR SO PUT ON YOUR COATS, YOUR TOPS DOWN, AND COME AND JOIN US FOR THE HOLIDAY FUN.



All I Want For Christmas



### "It's About The Roads"

DOROTHY AND EARL'S SPRING FLING 2006

APRIL 29-30, 2006

MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATION NOW!

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**NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES: LETA ARNETT**

PRESIDENT JOE BOHANNON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. FOR SOME REASON JOE AND SARA WERE DECKED OUT IN THEIR HALLOWEEN COSTUMES (BETTER LATE THAN SORRY).

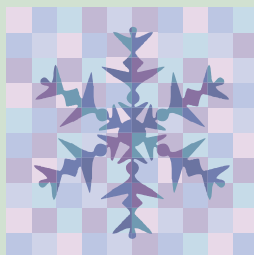
MAC YOUNG WAS AWARDED A BOTTLE OF BUBBLY BY JOE, SINCE HE BOUGHT AND DROVE TO THE MEETING THE FIRST 2006 LIMITED ADDITION.

58 MEMBERS WERE PRESENT. WE NOW HAVE 101 OFFICIAL CARS (APPROXIMATELY 200 MEMBERS).

GEORGE WALKER, VICE PRESIDENT, INTRODUCED A NEW PROGRAM TO THE CLUB. IT IS A MENTORS PROGRAM. MEMBERS WILL BE A MENTOR TO NEW MEMBERS AND IT HAS ALREADY BEEN PUT INTO PRACTICE.

IF YOU ARE A MENTOR, YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED BY GEORGE WHO YOUR NEW MEMBER IS SO THAT YOU CAN CONTACT THEM AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THEY HAVE.

DON'T FORGET THE CHRISTMAS PARTY ON DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> AT NELSON. SEE WEB SITE FOR MORE INFORMATION.



*January events*

- 18th - Monthly Meeting
- 22nd-29th Cruzin' w/ Mac & Suzanne

CHECK THE CLUB WEBSITE FOR CHANGES AND UPDATES!

**JENK'S CHRISTMAS PARADE - 2005: JOHN NEWMAN**

WE HAD GREAT WEATHER SATURDAY MORNING FOR THE 2005 KIWANIS JENKS HOLIDAY PARADE. EACH YEAR THE DECORATING IDEAS GET BETTER AND MORE CREATIVE AND THE TURN OUT CONTINUES TO GROW AS OUR CLUB CONTINUES TO GROW. WE HAD 22 CARS FOR THIS YEAR'S PARADE. THAT'S A GREAT TURN OUT AND WE REPRESENTED OUR CLUB WELL.

IT'S ALWAYS FUN TO SEE EVERY ONE'S IDEAS, SHARE COFFEE AND DONUTS AND TALK BEFORE WE HEAD OVER TO THE PARADE. BRIAN WHITT GRACIOUSLY AGREED TO BE "THE JUDGE" FOR OUR DECORATING IDEAS AND HAD THE DIFFICULT JOB OF CHOOSING TWO WINNERS OUT OF 22 GREAT LOOKING CARS. MAC AND SUZANNE YOUNG WON "MOST CREATIVE" CAR WITH HIS WIND SHIELD WIPER FLAG WAVING IDEA AND LARRY PARKER WITH HIS



NIECE AMANDA PARKER WON "BEST CHRISTMAS THEME" WITH HIS CHRISTMAS STOCKING THEMED BRG. I THINK NEXT YEAR WE MAY HAVE TO GIVE OUT ABOUT 22 AWARDS. THEY WERE ALL GREAT GUYS. WAY TO GO.

THE PARADE IT SELF WAS A BLAST AS USUAL. IT'S ALWAYS SO MUCH FUN TO SEE ALL THE KIDS LINED UP ALONG THE ROUTE. THEY LOVE OUR LITTLE CARS AND IT'S SO MUCH FUN TO WISH THEM ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS. IT WAS A LITTLE DIFFERENT THIS YEAR NOT BEING ABLE TO THROW OUT CANDY AND SOME TOYS, BUT IT WAS STILL A LOT OF FUN. MAYBE THEY WILL RESCIND THAT RULING FOR NEXT YEAR.

AFTER THE PARADE, MOST OF US WENT DOWN RIVERSIDE TO ZIO'S FOR A GREAT LUNCH AND CONVERSATION. ZIO'S DID A GREAT JOB OF ACCOMMODATING ALL 38 OF US ON SHORT NOTICE.

WE HAVE THE HOMINY PARADE COMING UP DEC. 3<sup>RD</sup> AND IT WOULD BE GREAT TO HAVE ANOTHER GOOD TURNOUT FOR THAT. IF YOU'VE NEVER DONE A PARADE I ENCOURAGE YOU TO TRY ONE...YOU'LL LIKE IT.



**NELSON MAZDA**

**20% DISCOUNT ON PARTS & SERVICE**

(Discount does not apply on promotional items)

**COUPON VALID FOR NORTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA MIATA CLUB MEMBERS ONLY**

EXPIRES 01/31/2006



### BRANSON, Mo & THE DIXIE STAMPEDE, PART DUEx: RUTH WILL

SUNDAY MORNING WE HEADED OUT OF BRANSON. IT WAS A LITTLE COLD AND OVERCAST, BUT IT DIDN'T DAMPEN OUR SPIRITS TO GET ON SOME NEW MIATA ROADS. LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR FOURTH NEW ROAD, WE WENT TO THE SOUTHERN SIDE OF HARRISON, AR AND PROCEEDED SOUTH ON 43 WHERE WE CLIMBED TO THE 2ND HIGHEST AREA (1600 FT.) IN ARKANSAS AND TRAVELED ON A PLATEAU ALONGSIDE THE BUFFALO NATIONAL RIVER. THE SCENERY WAS OUTSTANDING.



THEN WE PROCEEDED DOWN THROUGH THE BUFFALO CANYON WHERE THEY HAVE A RESERVE FOR ELK. PONCA HAS CABINS WITH CANOEING AND RAFTING DOWN THE BUFFALO RIVER. THIS AREA WAS ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL. THE FALL FOLIAGE WAS AT ITS PEAK.



AFTER LEAVING THE FIRST STOP OF THE DAY IN GREEN FOREST WE HEADED TO OUR LUNCH DESTINATION AT WAR EAGLE MILL AND MORE CURVY NEW ROADS. WE ARRIVED AT THE WAR EAGLE MILL WHICH IS A WORKING MILL POWERED BY A WATER WHEEL, YOU ARE ABLE TO SEE EXACTLY HOW IT ALL WORKS. THE GIFT SHOP IS ON THE FIRST AND SECOND FLOORS AND THE WONDERFUL "BEAN PALACE" ON THE 3RD FLOOR.

CORNBREAD, AND BEANS. THE DESSERT IS HOMEMADE COBBLERS BLACKBERRY, APPLE, AND PECAN. WE HAD TIME TO EAT AND SHOP. BUT WHEN IT CAME TIME TO LEAVE WE HAD A LITTLE TROUBLE GETTING SARA OUT OF THE GIFT SHOP. WE FINISHED OUR DAY TRAVELING ON SOME BEAUTIFUL SCENIC ROADS CROSSING OVER BEAVER LAKE ON HWY 12 THROUGH ROGERS, AR AND THEN ON TO OKLAHOMA. AGAIN, MANY MANY THANKS GO TO EARL AND DOROTHY FOR A WONDERFUL WEEKEND IN OUR MIATAS.

THEY HAVE HOMEMADE BREAD FOR SANDWICHES,

### PANCAKE DRIVE: JIM NAUFEL

THE SB&D. STARTED WITH THE KIWANIS PANCAKE FEED LOADING THE PARTICIPANTS UP WITH ALL THE PANCAKES & SAUSAGES EVERYONE WANTED TO EAT. 13 CARS, 26 PEOPLE, SHOWED UP FOR THE EVENT HELPING MAKE THE KIWANIS EVENT VERY SUCCESSFUL. THEY THANKED THE CLUB FOR OUR PARTICIPATION.

HAVING PLACED MY ORDER FOR SUNSHINE AND WARMTH WEEKS IN ADVANCE I WAS SURE GLAD TO SEE THAT IS WHAT WE GOT. MOST CARS



HAD THEIR TOPS DOWN FROM THE START. IT WAS A PERFECT DAY FOR A DRIVE IN THE COUNTRY.

WE HEADED WEST AND NORTH INTO THE OSAGE HILLS AND ACROSS TO SKIATOOK LAKE BEFORE STOPPING. SEVERAL FOLKS REMEMBERED THE ROADS AND AREA FROM THEIR YOUNGER DAY ACTIVITIES. I WON'T MENTION NAMES TO PROTECT THE GUILTY.

CONTINUING EAST AVOIDING MAJOR HIGHWAYS WE MET UP WITH HWY 20 JUST WEST OF 169. ALL BUT ONE CAR MADE THE TURN ON TO KEETONVILLE ROAD. ONE OF OUR NEW MEMBERS WAS STUCK BETWEEN 2 TRUCKS AND DIDN'T SEE US MAKE THE TURN. GEORGE WALKER WENT AFTER THEM BUT THEY WERE DETERMINED NOT TO BE CAUGHT.

THE LAST LEG OF OUR TRIP TOOK US DOWN THE RED BUD VALLEY ROAD FROM THE NORTH TO THE SOUTH. THE COLORS WERE JUST BEAUTIFUL, AND THAT COMBINED WITH THE ROAD MADE ME THINK I WAS BACK IN THE POCONO MOUNTAINS OF PA. THE TRIP ENDED AT THE OKLAHOMA TOURIST STOP ON I-44 AT 11:10 AM.

THE NEXT KIWANIS EVENT IS A CHILL SUPPER MARCH 3, 2006. MARK YOUR CALENDAR.



### NEO MIATA LOGO ITEMS

#### SHIRTS / JACKETS / HATS ETC.

SHOW YOUR PRIDE AS A MIATA OWNER AND NEO CLUB MEMBER BY WEARING OUR CLUB LOGO ON A SHIRT, JACKET OR HAT. OUR CLUB LOGO IS AVAILABLE AT T-SHIRT EXPRESS IN OWASSO. EXIT HWY 169 AT 76TH ST. NORTH, TURN LEFT AT THE LIGHT AND GO ABOUT 2 TO 3 BLOCKS. IT'S ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE STREET NEXT TO THE PAWN SHOP. YOU CAN BRING IN YOUR OWN ITEMS TO BE EMBROIDERED OR PURCHASE ITEMS THERE AT THE STORE. PRICES ARE REASONABLE, CHECK FOR PRICING.

#### CLUB PINS:

CLUB LOGO PINS ARE AVAILABLE FOR \$3.00 EACH, 2 FOR \$5.00 OR 5 FOR \$10.00. CONTACT THE CLUB TREASURER AT ANY CLUB MEETING OR EVENT.

#### MAGNETIC SIGNS:

FULL COLOR MAGNETIC CLUB LOGOS ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR CAR. TWO (2) FOR \$35. SEE GEORGE WALKER.





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## NORTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA MIATA CLUB DECEMBER EVENTS

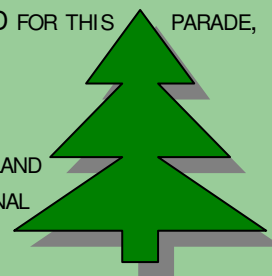
### HOMINY CHRISTMAS PARADE

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GROUP DRIVE TO HOMINY LEAVES FROM THE HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS ON HIGHWAY 64/412 BETWEEN TULSA & SAND SPRINGS, GILCREASE EXIT, AT 7:45 AM, **LEAVE AT 8:00 AM SHARP!** MEET AT THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN HOMINY AT 9:00AM FOR KRISPY KREMES AND COFFEE, TO DECORATE YOUR CAR AND RESTROOM BREAKS. THE PARADE THEME IS "A MARDI GRAS CHRISTMAS", BUT YOU ARE FREE TO DECORATE AS YOU DESIRE. CANDY IS ALLOWED FOR THIS PARADE, SO MAKE THE LOCAL KIDS HAPPY. LINE UP FOR THE PARADE AT 9:30, WHICH BEGINS AT 10:00AM.

#### DIRECTIONS FROM TULSA:

WEST ON 64/412. TAKE THE "LAST FREE EXIT", HIGHWAY 64 TO CLEVELAND. THROUGH CLEVELAND AND HIGHWAY 99 NORTH TO HOMINY. LEFT ON MAIN STREET TO PRICE. ARRIVE AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK, FRONT LOT.



### NO SECRET, NO DRIVE

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH AT ST. MICHAEL'S ALLEY (RESTAURANT - 3324 EAST 31ST ST. ( IN BACK CORNER OF RANCH ACRES SHOPPING CENTER). "LUIGI" WILL BE SINGING CHRISTMAS FAVORITES BY REQUEST. NO COVER CHARGE, JUST TIPS. LUIGI BEGINS AT 6:30 - WE USUALLY ARRIVE 5:45 - 6:00 TO VISIT AND EAT BEFORE HE BEGINS - PLEASE CONTACT MAC & SUZANNE YOUNG TO MAKE A RESERVATION BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2005 - 492-1820 OR MACYOUNG@SBCGLOBAL.NET.

### CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

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WE WILL BE HOLDING THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY AT NELSON MAZDA DEALERSHIP AT 97TH AND SOUTH MEMORIAL. WE WILL BE USING THE LARGE SHOP AREA AND WILL BE ABLE TO PARK OUR CARS INSIDE THE SHOP AREA THAT EVENING.

FESTIVITIES ARE SCHEDULED TO START AT 6PM. SOME WILL BE THERE EARLIER IN THE DAY TO HELP DECORATE. PLAN ON BEING THERE FOR DECORATING AT AROUND 2PM. BRING YOUR EXTRA DECORATIONS AND COME HAVE A GOOD TIME PREPARING THE ROOM.

THE CLUB WILL BE PROVIDING THE MEAT AND BREAD FOR THE EVENT. PLAN TO BRING A SIDE DISH OF SOME KIND OR A DESSERT. THE MAIN COURSE WILL BE BBQ. COFFEE AND HOT COCOA WILL BE PROVIDED OR BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS.

WE WILL AGAIN BE PLAYING "DIRTY SANTA", SO YOU CAN PLAY AS A COUPLE OR AS AN INDIVIDUAL. SUGGESTED VALUE OF THE GIFTS SHOULD BE \$10. OTHER SUGGESTIONS WERE TO GIVE GIFT CERTIFICATES TO YOUR FAVORITE SHOPPING LOCATION.

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### MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

7-8:00 PM, JOHNNIES CHARBURGER, I-44 & SKELLY DR, NORTH SIDE OF I-44

AFTER THE MEETING WE WILL TAKE OUR ANNUAL "CHRISTMAS LIGHTS TOUR". SO BUNDLE UP, BRING A BLANKET FOR THE LEGS, AND A THERMOS OF YOUR FAVORITE HOT BEVERAGE.

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