

# DECEMBER EVENTS

**<u>12/03 INOLA CHRISTMAS PARADE OF LIGHTS:</u>** School bell rings @ 4:15pm. Line up @ 4:30pm at the Inola High School. Parade Starts @ 5:30pm. Candy can be thrown during parade.

**12/09 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY:** The Club Christmas Party will be held at the Country Cottage Restaurant, 6570 State Hwy 82, Locust Grove, OK 74352, at 1:00 pm. We will meet at the Inola Sinclair at 12:00 noon. There will be a dirty Santa activity, with a \$25 limit, so be planning for that.

<u>12/16 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS-MEET & EAT:</u> Meet at Sami's Southern Kitchen & More at 626 N. Mission Sapulpa at 4:30pm for dinner. After dinner we go walk the Christmas Chutes in downtown Sapulpa. Then we drive to see some Christmas lights, locations to be decided at dinner. If you would like to drive to Sami's as a group, meet at the Reasor's parking lot in Jenks at 3:45 Hosts: Peggy & Charlie Hermann

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: MIKE CODY

I want to start off by saying, THANK YOU to all that attended the November meeting. We had an AWESOME attendance of 57 members. WOW!!! I also want to thank you guys and gals, for electing me to head things up for another year as president. The officers for 2024 are, President-Mike Cody, Vice President-Charlie Hermann, Secretary-Lee Cody, Treasurer-John Hill, Webmaster-Alan Doughty, Membership-Kim Brownell, and Event Coordinator-Regina Jones. I appreciate all of the officers that served in 2023. Connie Mott, we appreciate your service for two years as President and one year as Events Coordinator, thank you!

Thank you to everyone that contributed to the Arrowhead Elementary Annual food drive! The Club voted to match your donations up to \$250 and you guys came through like gangbusters! We collected \$275, with the match it came to \$525. Then Ruth Will won the door prize and donated that \$20 making the grand total \$545. WELL DONE, Miata members. There are going to be a lot of happy kids this Christmas, thanks to you all.

November 18<sup>th</sup> on a "top down day", we had a drive and eat led by Charlie and Peggy Herman. We drove some nice curvy roads to Bartlesville and ate at the Midway Café. The food and service was fantastic. I think they sold a whole lot of onion rings that day, thanks to Ruth Will remembering just how good they were. When we were leaving, you might have heard a loud bang, that would have been Lee and I. When I pulled in, I parked next to a curb. When I backed out I didn't backup far enough, so when I pulled forward and turned to the right, I jumped over the curb. Now you all know just how low a Miata sits to the ground, therefore not leaving enough clearance for jumping a curb. Don't worry though, God is aware of my ignorance and had my back, there was no damage.

Be thinking of the Colorado Trip in June, led by Tim and Linda Bodine. Tim would like to know at the January meeting who all is going, so he can make those aware of the motel plans. It's going to be probably the best drive all year and I know Lee and I are going.

Don't forget the Inola Christmas Parade this Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will meet at the Sinclair at 4:00 leaving for the high school at 4:15. Staging is at the Inola High School at 4:30 and the parade starts at 5:30. It's OK to throw candy and there are so many kids, you just wouldn't believe unless you see it. Try to save some candy for those at the end, because they always get left out. Hope to see everyone there and show Inola what a great Club we have.

CHRISTMAS PARTY December 9<sup>th</sup> at the Country Cottage in Locust Grove. We will meet at the Inola Sinclair at 12:00 noon and drive to the Country Cottage. There will be a "DIRTY SANTA" so if you want to participate, bring a gift for each person participating ranging in price of \$20-\$25. Also if you want to bring a toy UNWRAPED for the Marines Toys for Tots feel free to do so. If you have your dues paid by the time of the Christmas party, your meal is free. A special thanks goes out to, NELSON MAZDA-TOM PENLAND for donating \$500 towards everyone's meal.

December 16<sup>th</sup> we are having a "MEET AND EAT" in Sapulpa hosted by Charlie and Peggy Hermann. We will meet at Sami's at 4:30, eat, and then drive to the Christmas Chutes. When we get done there, we will drive and look at Christmas Lights. Sounds like a fun time, hope all can make it. No matter which of these events you make, one or all, Lee and I will see you soon! Mike Cody MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!!!!!!

# PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: LEE CODY

## **NEO MIATA MTG. NOV. 16. 2023**

The mtg. was called to order at 6:30 pm at OK. Joe's BBQ by Pres. Mike Cody, who then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 57 members present. Thank you to Robin Ferrell who brought me a delicious GF dessert and had Regina Jones bring some delicious desserts, including GF ones for me! Thanks, Ladies!!!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mike Cody said we have 2 new memberships this month. They are Ed & Michelle Bullard from Sand Springs and David & Kathy Ruckman from Bartlesville.

Peggy Hermann is handing out Ballots to everyone. Please, have them filled out and in the Ballot box by 7:15, as which time the Officers will gather together and count them.

We are passing around an envelope, taking donations for Ascension St. John/Arrowhead Elementary School Annual Food Drive. The Board has voted and approved to match up to \$250., and it needs to be voted on by the membership. We got a motion and it was seconded and passed by majority vote of the members.

The Board voted and approved to have Paul Wilcoxen added to the Bank Signature Card, since we now only have 1 person on it. They will go to the bank and do that tomorrow.

Nelson Mazda/Tom Penland has graciously donated \$500. towards our Miata Christmas Party! Thank you Nelson Mazda and Tom! Tom and his family will be with us for the Christmas Party where the Club will be presenting him with an Appreciation/Honorary Membership Award.

Please, pay your 2024 Membership fees by the end of 2023, to make Kim's and Bob's jobs easier! Thanks! If you come to the Christmas Party and have not paid your dues, pay them there, and your meal will be paid for!

## OFFICER REPORTS:

V.P. Charlie Hermann gave "Good Guy Awards" to Van & Kerry Burkhead, Sherry Larschen, Chris & Dianne Milberger and Kate & (Dad) John Calvert.

Sec. Lee Cody asked if there were any corrections or additions to last month's minutes. There were none.

Treas. John Hill – Checking Bal. \$2116.73 Sav. Bal. \$391.13 Total \$2507.86 Webmaster Alan Doughty – No report

Membership Kim Brownell says new rosters will go out tonight.

Event Coordinator Connie Mott gave a report on the Skiatook Veterans' Day Parade and thanked all who participated.

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:** Tom Pigg 1<sup>st</sup> Van Burkhead 10<sup>th</sup> Kerry Burkhead 17<sup>th</sup> Jerry Radoff 17<sup>th</sup> Ann Hill 20<sup>th</sup> Sara Bohannon 29<sup>th</sup> Aaron Smith 30<sup>th</sup>

#### PAST EVENTS:

10/21 – Heavner Drive & Eat at Southern Belle Rest. hosted by Wayne & Peggy Roth was a beautiful and fun drive with 16 Miatas, 1 OTM and 28 people enjoying the great food and fellowship! 6 of us, in 3 Miatas, went to Braum's in Eufaula afterwards FOR SOME GREAT ICE CREAM!

10/31 – Board Mtg. All board members were present.

11/10 – Tulsa Veteran's Parade hosted by John Hill was attended by 42 people in 21 Miatas. Afterwards 19 of us in 10 Miatas went to Hideaway Pizza for some delicious pizza and we sang Happy Birthday to Van Burkhead!

11/11 – Skiatook Veteran's Day Parade hosted by Connie Mott was attended by 18 people in 10 Miatas. Afterwards some went to the American Legion for a free spaghetti lunch, and some of us ate at the Brown Cow Rest. Then 13 of us in 7 Miatas drove to Pawhuska, led by Darryl & Regina Jones, for some shopping and then some delicious ice cream at Charlie's Sweet Shop before heading home. 11/18 – Drive & Eat to Midway Café in Bartlesville hosted by Charlie & Peggy Hermann was enjoyed by 16 people and Max in 10 Miatas.

#### **FUTURE EVENTS:**

12/3 – Inola Christmas Parade of Lights hosted by Mike & Lee Cody. We'll meet at Inola Sinclair at 4 pm and leave at 4:15 pm to go to the Inola High School for the line-up. The Parade starts at 5:30 pm. We can throw candy from our cars!

12/9 – Annual Christmas Party at Country Cottage in Locust Grove hosted by Tim & Linda Bodine. We'll meet at Inola Sinclair at Noon and leave for the restaurant at 12:15 pm. Bring a Dirty Santa gift valued at \$20. - \$25. for each person in your party if you want to take part in the festivities.

12/16 – Meet, Eat & Christmas Lights in Sapulpa hosted by Charlie & Peggy Hermann. Meet at Sami's Southern Kitchen & More at 4:30 pm for dinner and then go walk the Christmas Chutes downtown. Then we'll drive to see some Christmas lights. If you want to meet to drive to Sami's as a group, meet at the Reasor's parking lot in Jenks at 3:45 pm.

6/1-9/2024 – Colorado Trip hosted by Tim & Linda Bodine. Tim & Linda will be talking about this trip more at each meeting. At the January meeting they'll need to know who plans on going, so that reservations can be made. Get this on your calendars now! It's going to be a fun and exciting trip!

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Renee Pigg talked about Toys for Tots. There will be a table set up at the Christmas Party and the Marines will be there to collect unwrapped gifts and money for kids for Christmas.

#### CAR TALK:

Bob Schwarz gave some hints about replacing your battery. Pat Huether said she has to replace her sun visor again. Alan Drewry said you can buy them on e-bay fairly cheap.

#### **ELECTION RESULTS FOR 2024:**

Pres. Mike Cody V.P. Charlie Hermann Sec. Lee Cody Treas. John Hill Event Coord. Regina Jones Membership Kim Brownell Webmaster Alan Doughty

#### 50/50 DRAWING & DOOR PRIZE:

\$129. was collected for the 50/50 Drawing. Alan Drewry won \$65. and \$64. went to the Club. Congratulations Alan! The \$20. Door Prize was won by Ruth Will. Congratulations Ruth! The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

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