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## MAY EVENTS

**MAY 1-3, 2026 OK STEAM & GAS ENGINE** Steam Park Grounds Pawnee, Oklahoma. Gates open at 8am. \$10 single day per person. Free with club membership. Kids under 12 are free. Friday is School Day.

**05/15/2026 GUYS & DOLLS:** Guys and Dolls Lunch has been scheduled for Friday, May 15th, at **1:00 pm**. Dolls will meet at Charleston's. The Guys will meet at Los Cabos. Both restaurants are just off E Hillside Dr, Broken Arrow, near Bass Pro Shops. Please **RSVP** to 918-810-5171 or [george.f74146@gmail.com](mailto:george.f74146@gmail.com)

**05/16/26 IT IS STILL A MYSTERY TO ME:** Meet in the large parking lot, south across E Admiral Pl from the QT south of Hard Rock Casino and I44. Meet at **11:45 am**, leave at **12:00 pm**. Lunch at about **2:30 pm**. Host: Ric F..

### **MONTHLY MEETING – THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026**

Oklahoma Joe's BBQ, 6175 E. 61st St., Tulsa, OK 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Members gather at 5:30 pm for food and conversation.

When you arrive place your order and let them know you'll be in the meeting room.

After getting your beverage take the hallway to the left of the register to the back.

**05/30/25 TULSA-RT 66 CAPITAL CRUISE:** Tulsa is making Route 66 history with a world-record attempt for the largest classic car parade ever. From vintage muscle to family treasures on four wheels, thousands of stunning cars will cruise right through the heart of the Capital of Route 66. Full details can be found on the May calendars.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: MIKE CODY

We have such an AMAZING CLUB!! Our members, "YOU", are top notch. It has been said to me, I wish our club turned out for meetings like yours. That is a testament in itself. We don't always have exactly the same people turn out for meetings, or meet and eats, or even drives. But we do have people turn out in good numbers to each of them. This is not an "all or nothing club", this is a "do what you can club". Our members know they are just as welcome at an event whether it is their 1st time or 100th time. Whether they have been officers, leaders of drives, or just people that want to have a good time, we are always ecstatic that they showed up! So the next time you think, I would like to go but I don't really know anyone, get off your behind and show up, I promise, you won't regret it!

We had another great month in April! Thanks Bob and Linda Schwarz, for starting the impromptu drives and first Monday of the month breakfast. Also, thank you Peggy and Wayne Roth for having

and scheduling the Guys and Dolls Luncheons each month! Tom Mattox and Linda Whitfield for leading a drive this month also, sorry Lee and I couldn't make that one. Lee and I led a drive to Silver Dollar Café in Collinsville followed by a concert across the street, then on the 25th and 26th we led a drive to Branson for an overnight stay. Everyone had a great time and said they really enjoyed the Top of the Rock Lost Canyon Cave along with the museum, but the real enjoyment came while driving the amazing roads there and back.

You can view several pictures of the trip on the Facebook page "NEO MIATA MESSAGE BOARD". If you are not a member of the Facebook page, go on it and sign up. It is a private page that only members can see, so you will have to answer 3 questions to prove you are a member. On this page you will find out some things that may not be found elsewhere.

Be sure and look at the Website Calendar also for upcoming events, all you have to do is show up! Finally, if you're not signed up with Lee and I to go on the "UTAH TRIP" and want to go, please get with me ASAP. We will be leaving on June 6th and return on June 14th. It is NOT too late to sign up and we want everyone that wants to go to have the opportunity to do so.

Thanks again to the entire club, Mike Cody

## **PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: LEE CODY**

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. We had 52 members and 5 guests present. Welcome to Gerieta and Andras Banyai (first time attendees/members), Ronnie & Cindy Johnston (Pres. & his wife of the NW AR Miata Club), Suzanne, Jennifer & Mattie (the Hill family), and of course, Lucas! Delicious desserts and beautiful Ann. cakes were brought by Kim Brownell, Regina Jones and the Hill family. Thank you, everyone! Next month they will be brought by Linda Whitfield and Catherine Goddard.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

There is an 18% gratuity on each order in lieu of a room charge.

We had a Board Mtg. on Tuesday, and we voted to support Mercedes Dunn in the Muskogee (Creek) Nation Scholarship Pageant by taking out a full-page ad for \$100. in a pamphlet that will go out to the younger generation and their parents. This not only supports furthering education but promotes the Club to a large group for a small price. Pres. Mike asked if everyone was in favor of that, and no one opposed.

Paul Wilcoxon has moved to Boston on a new job. He was the second signature on the Club checking account. Margaret (Peggy) Roth has now been accepted by the Board as the second signature needed for the account. Thank you Paul and Peggy for your willingness to serve!

If you are not signed up for the upcoming Branson overnight trip and you want to go, please let Mike know before leaving tonight. So far, we have 14 Miatas, 26 people and Max going.

If you are not signed up for the Utah trip June 6-14 and you want to go, please let Mike know asap. So far, we have 10 Miatas, 20 people and Max going. The CO. River Cruise we had planned to go on

is not available while we are there, so we will have other fun things planned to do while we are in Moab!

Our 2026 Christmas Party has been set for Sat. Dec.5 at 12:30 pm at Farmhouse Dinners, LLC. The menu will be ham, oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, noodles, dressing, green beans, coleslaw, dinner rolls, coconut cream pie, lemon meringue pie, tea, water and coffee. This year we will require an RSVP only, due to needing to know the amount of food to prepare. We will need a good number a week before, with last-minute changes no less than 3 days before. We will have a sign-up sheet starting at the Oct. meeting.

Alan has said that he will not be the Webmaster next year. With that being said, if you are interested in that position, you might get with Alan before elections to get familiarized with what that entails.

Pres. Mike has said in the past that he would not be running for office next year. After further consideration he is leaving that option open.

Please, keep Joe and Sara Bohannon in your prayers. They were recently in a car accident in their other car (not their Miata), totaling it. They are bruised up and in pain, but they will be ok in time. Their dog was with them and he is ok too! Also, keep Renee Pigg (wrist surgery April 24), Ann Hill (surgery April 27), and Joyce Powell's brother Jerry Muench (cancer, taking chemo) and her Mom (put on Hospice) in your prayers.

#### OFFICER REPORTS:

V.P. Charlie Hermann gave certificates to Bill & Sonia Curts (members since 2010), Aaron Smith (member for a long time) and Bob & Linda Schwarz (members since 2008). In the future he'll give one to Martin & Ineta Bebb (members since 2006, maybe?).

Sec. Lee Cody asked if there were any corrections or additions to last month's minutes, and there were none. I then announced the April Birthdays: Dianne Milberger 5th, Charlie Hermann 6th, Regina Jones 8th, Andras Banyai 19th, Steve Lull 22nd, Tom Mattox 23rd, John Hill 25th and Peggy Roth 29th and the April Anniversary: John & Ann Hill April 16, 1966 (60 years today)!

Treas. John Hill    Checking Bal. \$3401.24    Savings Bal. \$1009.05    Total \$4410.29

We have 78 Memberships as of today.

Webmaster Alan Doughty – No report

Membership Dir. Wayne Roth – No report

Event Dir. Regina Jones went over the Past & Future Events below:

#### PAST EVENTS:

3/21 – Bday. Breakfast & Drive – We had 21 people and Max for breakfast at Golden Corral, hosted by Mike & Lee Cody. Then we went on a drive with 8 Miatas, 14 people and Max, hosted by Charlie & Peggy Hermann and ended up at Coweta Braum's. We all had a great time and great food and the weather was beautiful for a top down day!

3/27 – Guys & Dolls Lunches hosted by Peggy & Wayne Roth was attended by 11 ladies at Los Cabo's and 16 men at Louie's Grill and Bar, both in Jenks.

3/28 – Several showed up to support and say "Hi" for the Glenpool Car Show with Jim Loyd as the DJ at the Glenpool Conference Center.

3/28 – Impromptu Drive hosted by Bob & Linda Schwarz was attended by 8 people in 4 Miatas and then they were joined by 4 more people in 2 Miatas when they stopped to eat at Ken's Pizza in Sapulpa.

4/10-12 – Vintage Race & Car Show at Hallett was attended by some of our members in at least 5 Miatas.

4/11 – Drive & Eat hosted by Tom Mattox to Tammy's Round Up Café in Davenport was attended by 11 people in 7 Miatas.

4/14 – We had a Board Mtg. attended by all 7 Board Members and 4 guests.

#### FUTURE EVENTS:

Sat. 4/18 - Bday. Drive & Eat & Concert – Meet at Gilcrease Braum's in S.S., drive the backroads and across the dam to Silver Dollar Café in Collinsville. After dinner, go across the street to listen to Fence Line with Jim Loyd at Herron's Crown Opry Theatre. Hosted by Mike & Lee Cody.

Sat. & Sun. 4/25-26 – Overnight Drive to Branson, MO. hosted by Mike & Lee Cody. Staying at the Super 8 Motel. Going to Branson via the Peel Ferry on Saturday. Going to the Lost Canyon Cave & Nature Trail on Sunday morning, lunch at Rowdy Beaver Rest. & Tavern and then home via the Beaver Town One Lane Bridge in AR. Ending up at Siloam Springs Braum's to say our goodbyes.

Tues. 5/5 – Steam Thrush & Gas Tractor Pull in Pawnee, OK.

Fri. 5/15 – Guys & Dolls Lunch hosted by Peggy & Wayne Roth at 1 pm. Charleston's at 251 E. Hillside Dr., Broken Arrow, OK. for the ladies and Los Cabos right next door for the men.

Sat. 5/16 – Bday. Drive & Eat hosted by Ric Fornell. Meet at the parking lot on Admiral south of the QT in Catoosa at 11:45 am, leave at noon. Drive curvy roads to the Drunken Rooster Bar & Grill in Grove to eat about 2:30 pm.

Thurs. 5/21 – NEO Monthly Mtg. at OK. Joe's BBQ at 6:30 pm.

Sat. 5/30 – Route 66 Classic Car Cruise & Parade 100 Year Ann.

Thurs. – Sun. 6/4-7 Miatas in the Ozarks.

Sat. – Sun. 6/6-14 – Utah trip hosted by Mike & Lee Cody.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

V.P. Charlie has NEO business cards and hat pins available.

Please text Wayne Roth with the year you joined the Club.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Ron Johnston, Pres. of the NW Arkansas Miata Club, said he got his first Miata in 2003. Miatas in the Ozarks is June 4-7 this year. There is also a Parade in Eureka Springs, but I didn't catch the date.

Rob Coulter has a tree service and he does an excellent job and is reasonably priced.

#### CAR TALK:

Ric Fornell (aided by Bob Schwarz with pictures on the big screen) talked about a problem with the retractable hard top and the solution.

Alan Doughty is getting his Miata restored by Curtis Youngblood in Inola. He can tell you where to buy used Miata parts.

Bob Schwarz talked about steering problems and the solution (oil the u-joints).

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

\$110. was collected for the 50/50 Drawing. \$55. went to Leta Arnett and \$55. went to the Club. Tom Mattox won the Door Prize and chose the \$20. cash. Congratulations Leta and Tom!

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

#### CLUB OFFICERS

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Vice President: CHARLIE HERMANN  
Events: REGINA JONES

Treasurer: JOHN HILL  
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