

Michigan MGT Chapter General Membership Meeting
Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills, Michigan
December 6, 2011

Attendees:

Larry Kuivenhoven	Bob Tapert	Tom Sorensen
Sandy Kuivenhoven	Shari Pelic	Guy St. John
Rita Patrick	Linda Northrup*	Richard Quick
Lois Booth	Jim Northrup	Bob Ruzzin
Doyle Meredith	John Marsh	Sheila Marsh
Lou VanKoningsveld	Andy Abraham	Lee Jacobsen
Elaine VanKoningsveld	Dick Cywinski	Cary Gersh
Tom Booth	Mike Liberty	Gail Liberty
John Gervasi	John Deikis	Tom Norman

*Drove a T Car

Sandy Kuivenhoven called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.
The meeting minutes from the November meeting were approved.
There were no new members or visitors, but the group welcomed back Mike and Gail Liberty. It appears that Mike is now fully recovered.

Chairman's Report: Sandy Kuivenhoven

Sandy commented that for the last three years, women have won the Driving Cup signifying the most miles driven for Club events. It seemed that she was quite proud of that factoid.

Sandy called in our favorite waitress from the Brass Pointe (Violet) and awarded her a very nice gift basket from the Club.

Elections are coming up in January at the annual meeting/Hibernation Party at Karl's Cabin in Plymouth. All the positions have at least one candidate who have agreed to run.

Work on the by-laws has slowed down, and may be an item for next year's annual meeting.

Vice-Chairman's Report: Roger Melton

No report due to Roger's absence.

Treasurer's Report: Lou VanKoningsveld

Lou reported that the Club now has just over \$10,000. Lou announced that he brought some of the Club's car badges and that they were still only \$20.00 each. Several were sold on the spot.

Membership Report: Tom Sorensen

Tom reported that there are 84 memberships that represent 151 individuals. Fifty-seven percent of members belong to the National NEMGT Register.

Website: Cary Gersh

Cary reviewed the handout he made to help people log onto the Club's new website. He said to contact him if you have any difficulty. The Google-Group website will be shut down for good in January.

The Club's library is now listed on the website.

Club dues can now be paid using PayPal via the website.

Library: Lee Jacobsen

Lee reported that he still had the materials at his Livonia office.

He also announced that he and Karen will host next spring's Champagne Brunch. They hosted the event the last time just as their home remodeling was nearing completion. This next event will allow everyone to see the finished product.

Thanks, Lee and Karen.

T-Times: Shari Pelic

The T-Times newsletter will now be sent out in "even" months rather than the previous method of using the "odd" months. In the next issue, there will be an insert that can be used as a directory update. This saves printing the whole Directory every year. As usual, Shari would like to see members submit articles for future T-Times.

Events: Shari Pelic

Invitations have been mailed regarding the Hibernation Party (and Annual Meeting) to be held at Karl's Cabin in Plymouth.

Shari is still trying to stir up interest in going "ice racing" with the MGs this winter. Please contact her if you have an interest in that.

Tech sessions: Sandy needs a new top for her TD. She is offering her car for the session. Shari would be pleased to offer her car for a "lighting" tech session. It appears that she was pulled over by the police after the November meeting for faulty lighting. She pointed out to the policeman that her turn signals were working, but that didn't help too much.

Another idea for a Tech Session is for those wishing to build their own Valve Cover Racer. Shari thanked Andy Abraham for the recent Tech Session where Andy and his team at Raven Engineering balanced her driveshaft on the car.

The Champagne Brunch will be held on May 20, 2012 at Lee and Karen Jacobsen's home in Dearborn. Details to follow.

Valve Cover Race Track: Several Club members have shown interest in building our own race track. Preliminary conversations have suggested that the Club borrow back the track we used at the GOF and use it as a pattern. It seems that no one knows where that track is at the moment.

More to follow on this topic.

General Discussion:

Sandy introduced a song that she would like to adopt as the Club's official song. It's called "Red Solo Cup" by Tody Keith. Toby Keith must be his brother. Everyone enjoyed the song and agreed to use it as the Club's song.

The mitten donation netted 45 pairs that will be donated to the Salvation Army homeless shelter. Thank you to everyone who remembered to bring mittens.

50/50 Drawing

Dick Cywinski won the jackpot worth \$21.50. Good haul.

The other winners were the following:

Gail Liberty – Musical Hand Soap Dispenser

John Marsh – Musical Hand Soap Dispenser

Lee Jacobsen – Pop Rocks candy

John Gervasi – Pop Rocks candy (two packs)

Tom Booth – Pop Rocks candy

Tom Sorensen – Pop Rocks candy

The next meeting will be January 3. The meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Norman

Recording Secretary