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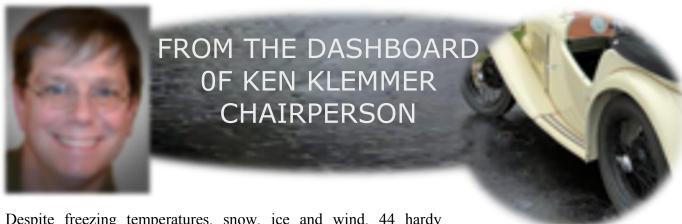
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Despite freezing temperatures, snow, ice and wind, 44 hardy members donned their hats and made the trek to Rose's Restaurant

in Canton on January 19 for our Annual Meeting/Hibernation Party. There we were greeted with a great dinner, good drinks and MG club camaraderie and banter, and a fascinating assortment of headwear sported by the membership. Treasurer Shari Pelic, principal planner of this year's event, organized a great and varied meal, decorations (each program was unique!) and activities. No one left hungry.

I arrived with my "snoopy" helmet and goggles, but realized that the only problem is, I cannot hear with them on. No worries, John Deikis to the rescue with a most fantastic red fez (John was sporting a fine looking keffiyeh) both obtained during one of his expeditions to the middle east.

It was the end of a distinguished "career" for Chairperson Sandy Kuivenhoven. Ten years of fun and great leadership, a memorable GOF Central in 2011, guest speakers, event planning, etc. have left her rich in friendships and experience. Thanks to her bringing candy to every meeting, it has also left her rich in finder's fees from the local dentist. Which of course, brings us to why I am writing this article and not her.

During last year's Hibernation Party, she solicited nominations from the floor for a new club chairperson. Yours truly, in my NASA flight suit, must have been a little "spaced out" (or maybe it was the good martinis at Genetti's) and realized afterward I volunteered myself to run for chair the following year, allowing Sandy to complete a full 10 year term.

While strongly maintaining that I might not get elected, I campaigned feverishly throughout the fall of 2018. Alas, not one person challenged my promises of "ice cream at every meeting" and "a MG in every garage" so I found myself elected chair for a two year term commencing immediately. Membership is now in the very capable hands of Mary Gervasi (oh, and John too). Continuing as Treasurer will be Shari Pelic, Recording Secretary Tom Sorensen and Melody Klemmer as Vice Chairperson (which seems strangely inappropriate, but I think I'm coming out on top). I'm looking to a happy and productive term of office with these exceptional officers and the remaining appointed subcommittee officers. As I write this, ten years of accumulated club supplies and other junk is now on its way to my little house...I may need to build a shed.

Our upcoming monthly meeting on February 5th will still be in Farmington, but the Vice Chair is actively searching out a new location and more suitable location, which we hope to have determined by the 5th or shortly thereafter.

There are many exciting things coming up for the club in 2019 and 2020 and I look forward to sharing these with you all. Thank you all for your support and most importantly friendship and do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, compliments, criticisms or cash (I can be bribed).

Ken Klemmer Michigan MG-T Register Chairperson

# Application for Membership/Renewal Michigan Chapter of the New England MG T Register

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### Annual Membership/Renewal due by April 1st, 2019

\$25.00 with emailed newsletters

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\$35.00 with mailed newsletters to your home

Made Payable to: <u>Michigan Chapter NEMGTR</u> or use <u>PayPal</u> on the club website: <u>www.michiganmgt.com</u>

Mail to: Mary & John Gervasi 4936 Jackson Street Trenton, MI 48183



# 2019 Hibernation Party & Annual General Meeting 17'S A HAT PARTY!



The theme was "It's A Hat Party" and club members did not disappoint in wearing some of their favorite hats, caps, berets, helmets, and feathered plumage.

There were hat centerpieces, hats on the agendas, and even extra hats in case someone left home without one. Shari Pelic, events coordinator did another excellent job on making this an evening to remember by all.

And the food from Rose's Restaurant was also a real crowd pleaser. Warm homemade bread served in bags at each table, tossed garden salad with Rose's house dressing, Chicken Milano, scallop potatoes, sliced roast beef, house vegetables, the black Pepper pasta and even a cannoli. But wait, Shari even brought in cupcake all with hat toppers.







Special thanks to Ken and Melody Klemmer and also Shari Pelic for donating awesome door prizes that made the evening extra special.



Traveling trophies were also awarded:

**Spirit of MG Trophy**: This is awarded to the member who worked and put their MG back on the road again.

This year's winner: Ken Klemmer and his 1949 MG TC

**Richardson Trophy**: This trophy is awarded for the most miles driven in a MGT in 2018.

This year's winners: John and Mary Gervasi with 2,153 miles

Ralph Morse Trophy: This trophy is awarded to the members of the club who have participated

in the most Michigan Chapter recognized events throughout the 2018 year.

This year's winners: Ken and Melody Klemmer

An Election was held for voting in 2019-2020 Officers and the results were:

Chairman: Ken Klemmer

Vice Chairperson: Melody Klemmer Recording Secretary: Tom Sorensen

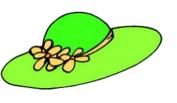
Treasurer: Shari Pelic

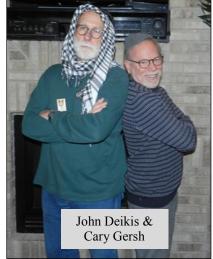
Congratulations to the new Board of Officers!



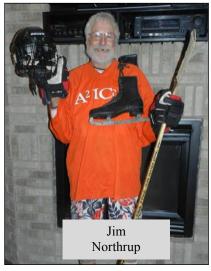


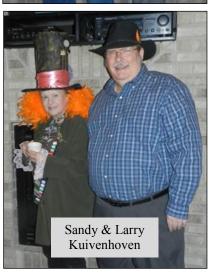
### 2019 Hibernation Party & Annual General Meeting



















### TRAVELING TROPHIES REDESIGNED

Before presentation this year at the Hibernation Party/Annual Meeting, the Traveling Trophies went in for some redesigning. The trophies had actually run out of engraving room so changes needed to be made.





First, the Spirit of MG was taken apart, placed on a new base, engraved to not only reflect past recipients but also the winner of the trophy this year. Since the original had room for one plaque on the front only, more room needed to be created so the trophy could be awarded for years to come.



The other trophy was the Ralph Morse. The plaque for engraving was on the underneath side and was completely filled up after this year. It also was placed on a new base, the recipients were engraved on the sides, and there is enough room for now many (like 20) years to come.





### T-Club Mileage for 2018

Members of the club were asked to submit their mileage for 2018 for the purpose of winning the Richardson Trophy for the most miles driven by a MGT.

This year John and Mary Gervasi won with 2,153 miles, congratulations! And listed also are the mileage from some of the other club members for your reading enjoyment.

L. VanKoningsveld	36 feet
J. Daugherty	300 feet
T. Booth	50 miles
B. Ruzzin	150 miles
S. Pelic	244 miles
B. Mann	250 miles
S. Kuivenhoven	309 miles
J. Bryan	559 miles
T. Sorensen	
K. Klemmer	1,010 miles
L. Northrup	1,411 miles
J. & M. Gervasi	2,153 miles

# BLAST FROM THE PAST - 2018 HIBERNATION PARTY















### **The 2017 Traveling Trophy Winners**

The Richardson Trophy for Mileage - Linda Northrup
The Spirit of MG Trophy - Orville Hoksch
The Maurice Horger Founders Trophy - Jerry & Georgette Daugherty
The Ralph Morse Trophy - Ken & Melody Klemmer











Photos taken by Marc Stump



Fine evening of friends and dinning at Genitti's Hole-In-The Wall. Auction Processes from this event went to the Wounded Worriers Project.



## GOF CENTRAL 2020

### PRELIMINARY! for club release only.





Date: Tuesday June 23 -Friday June 26

Host Hotel location: Birchwood Inn, Harbor Springs Michigan

Alternate hotel location: Colonial Inn (3 miles) Best Western (6 miles)

Michigan is in the early stages of planning to host the GOF Central 2020 in Harbor Springs, Michigan. Hosted at the Birchwood Inn, this is a full service "resort" setting type GOF where we have full access to the entire facility and planning staff for the duration of our event. This is the most beautiful area of Michigan's lower peninsula with amazing driving opportunities.

**Lodging:** a variety of rooms are available and additional days at discounted rates are available to those wishing to arrive early or stay later. Mid-week schedule allows weekend "travel days" on either side of the event. While the Inn is a smaller venue, there is additional lodging nearby.

Planning and costs: Staff at the Inn can handle the bulk of the arrangements and needs, resulting in minimal volunteer effort. 3 nights double occupancy room, Continental breakfast, the first timer's car show BBQ, 24 hour hospitality room (BYOB), lecture room, car wash and closing awards banquet included in one total estimated cost: \$500 per person, based on double occupancy. Alternate nearby hotels are available as well as camping at Petoskey State Park and KOA. We are in the early planning stages and exact costs/arrangements are not fully determined yet.

Want to help plan the event? We will be forming a planning committee for GOF2020 in February 2019. We expect to also work with members of the Twin Bay British Car Club.

## GOF CENTRAL 2020

#### **Getting There:**

We are preparing MG-friendly route recommendations through Michigan from Detroit, Ohio and Indiana.

#### Website:

Early information, including promotional video, is available at www.GOF2020Michigan.com

#### **Hosted Events:**

First timer car show, all-members car show, valve cover racing, 3 exceptional drives with amazing scenery and tour venues, fully catered awards banquet onsite, lectures/tech sessions.

#### **Local Extracurricular activities:**

Wide range of dining, sailing and boating options, shopping, sightseeing, historic museum, Petoskey state park, Wilderness state park and interesting towns like Petoskey and Charlevoix a short drive away. The Birchwood Inn has shuffleboard courts, a fire pit and heated pool.

#### Fun facts:

The M119 Tunnel of Trees is about 27 miles of the best drive you've ever done, twisty and hilly.

Harbor Springs is 250 miles from Detroit.

The Petoskey Stone is native only to this area and will be an interesting part of our awards ceremony

The Headlands Dark Sky observatory park is the only one of its kind in Michigan and will be one of our events.





### GOF Central 2019



# Thursday June 27, 2019 - Sunday June 30, 2019

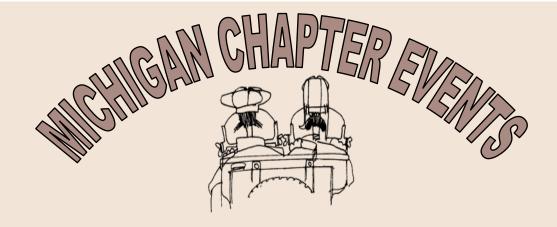
The MG Club of St. Louis have a fantastic Gathering of the Faithful (GOF) event planned for everyone this year.

Information can be found at:

https://2019gofcentral.stlouismgclub.com/events/scheduled-events/or www.gofcentral.com.







**Feb 5th** Monthly Meeting - Page's Restaurant - Farmington

**Mar 5th** Monthly Meeting - place to be announced

**Apr 2nd** Monthly Meeting - place to be announced

**May 7th** Monthly Meeting - place to be announced

May 25th-Jun 2nd Drive Your British Car Week

Jun 2nd
British Return to Fort Meigs - Car Show
Monthly Meeting - place to be announced
Motor Muster - Greenfield Village, Dearborn

**Jun 27th-30th** GOF Central - St. Louis, MO

Jul 2nd Monthly Meeting - place to be announced Mad Dogs & Englishmen - Gilmore Museum

**Aug 6th** Monthly Meeting - place to be announced

**Sept 3rd** Monthly Meeting - place to be announced

**Sept 8th** Battle of the Brits - Camp Dearborn

Oct 1st Monthly Meeting - place to be announced

**Nov 5th** Monthly Meeting - place to be announced

**Dec 3rd**Monthly Meeting - place to be announced



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