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YEAREND GARAGE NOTES

The year was finished off with a couple of planned and one short notice gathering by the EMC.

On November 19, the EMC had our regular monthly gathering at the Johnston residence. Tech Session IV the final of the season was moved from the center of LBC'dom in Mississippi, Jim and Faye Enzman's place to the Johnston's garage in Ridgeland.

A large gathering of members assembled for an evaluation of the '64 B that Martha and I had coaxed home back in the spring. I had done some dis-assembly on the car, cleaning out most of the interior and had begun efforts to see if the wrench trust of the EMC could perhaps see if we could get the B to turnover for us. After evaluating the SU status it was decided that the best course would be additional dis-assembly so we all jumped in pulling the windshield and left front wing in our continued search for the inevitable rust gremlin.

Much to our surprise, a minimal amount of rust was found behind the rather Swiss cheese and bondo front wing. The outer covering on the right front appears in better shape. Everyone present agreed that it appears that Martha and I now have a keeper for our (and the EMC's) garage therapy sessions.

Martha cooked up a couple of big pots of her special chili and with everyone contributing the EMC once again conquered

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mechanical issues and departed content with the outcome of Tech Session IV.

Our rather short notice gathering was held on Sunday November 27 at the garage of EMC past presidential family Al and Debbie Adams. Al and Debbie have located to the Gatlinburg Tn area and are very missed at our monthly events. Keith Anderson had called an emergency Tech Session at the Adam's to assist in installing a newly located engine in the Rover P-4 which was struck down a year or so ago with rapidly displaced internal engine parts.

During the gathering the EMC presented Al and Debbie with a plaque signed by forty members of the EMC in recognition and appreciation of their support of the EMC.



Photo courtesy of EMC

From left to right: Pat Cashman, Al and Debbie, Barbara Cashman and Dennis Loftin with Keith Anderson presiding in the background.

On December 3, the EMC held our final gathering of 2005. With twenty seven in attendance we relived memories of the year and initiated plans for 2006 at Pat and Barbara Cashman's garage in Vicksburg.

We were updated by Keith Anderson and Dennis Loftin on the progress on Al and Debbie's P-4 project, the new engine is back in and final touches are being made. We were all happy to hear of the successful wedding of Jim and Faye Enzman's daughter in Eddiceton during Tech Session IV weekend.

It had been a while since past Terry and Meridith Trovato and fellow Natchez members Cappy and Judy Stahlman had made it up for a visit, everyone was glad they could make it in for our yearend party.

Once again the food and company were the best and everyone had a great time.

Thanks to all members that provided support and gave of their time to The EMC during 2005.

Plans are currently being made for 2006 and we'll be looking for more good times and travels.

Happy Motoring

Gene Johnston

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