## **EMC 2015**

## **January Business and Awards Meeting**

January 17th was an excellent day for getting together at Sal & Mookies. This year the folks at Sal & Mookies were kind enough to give us space on the patio. There was plenty of room for all. Folks started gathering around 11:30 for pleasant conversation and telling tall tales. There were 34 in attendance.

The meeting began with a short overview of 2014. Brother Clay gave a treasurers report, and Brother Gene went over the calendar of events tor 2015. Many thanks to those who have stepped up to host a 2015 event!

Next were awards. Bonnie Menapace was awarded the coveted **Eager Beaver Award** by Stephen Turner. John Turbeville was given the **Big Valve Award**.



David Bailey received the new "Can It" Award by Alice Glore.



Martha Johnston was given The I-Beam Award by Debbie Johnston.



Gene Johnston was given the **Scorched Piston** Award by Lynn Williamson.



Keith Anderson awarded Pat and Barbara Cashman with the **Preservation Award** for their TR6 they have owned since it was new. The Cashmans also were given The **J Thaddeus Toad** Award for an outstanding Drive Through History.



There was a break in the middle of the awards presentations so Pres Charlie could consume his lunch while it was still warm. We must keep our priorities in order!

As the awards started up again Mike Marsh talked about his upcoming events and his Best Period Dressed @ Eurofest-Baton Rouge. The award went to Pat and Barbara Cashman. They dressed the part to show their Triumph Mayflower.

We even witnessed the graduation of the members of the **Midget Rendering Party** held at Pres Charlie & Donna Durning's house. Graduation Certificates were given to Steve Whitlow, Keith Anderson, Clay Johnston, and Gene Johnston.



And, finally an award was given to Gene Johnston for his 12 years of service as the EMC editor of Offside/Undo. Thanks to Gene for 12 years well-done!

With that award Gene officially passed on his editorial duties as editor to Charlie and Donna Durning. That move left a vacancy for EMC President. John Turbeville was unanimously voted into the office of President, which left an opening for Vice President. Steve Whitlow was unanimously voted into that position.



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**Exhaust Rattles** 

Clay Johnston is still working on his MGB engine. He pulled the engine to fix an oil leak, and the "Might as Wells" got him. The oil leak repair has turned into a full blown engine overhaul.

Charlie Durning has finished his rendering of a MG Magnette he purchased from the guys in Kearney Park. The remains have now been delivered to the crusher. The gleaned parts will breathe new life into 6, so far, Magnettes and I'm sure the remains will come back to us as a Japanese car or a washing machine. R.I.P. Magnette.

Rumor has it that Mike Glore has his eyes on a Mazda Cosmo. Way to go, Mike!

As the new news letter editors Donna and I are looking for submissions and pictures. We want to know what you are doing. Ladies, Donna, wants to include you also. Send her your girly news. We are also working on getting some tech articles for our LBC's. We want to gain from your experience.

Gene will be updating the calendar of events on the website. Our next event will be a Tech Day at Pat & Barbara's garage on February 21st. See the website for details. I'm sure Pat will have something interesting for us to do. Hope to see you all there. Until then....Happy Motoring!



Gene Johnston organized a last minute Sunday Drive to sky Lake on January 23rd. There was an excellent turnout and everyone enjoyed the drive!

Attending the Sunday Drive were:

Steve & Karen Whitlow
Pat & Barbara Cashman
Richard & Brenda Hobbs
Rick Greene
Dominic LaValla
Gene & Martha Johnston
Barry Schmidz & grandson
November new members Clint & Mary Gee



## **From the Passenger Seat**

As mentioned earlier we want to start a piece written by a car-club wife in each newsletter. It could be a recipe, an article about an interesting experience relating to your LBC, or anything you think would be of interest to the other club members. It will be called "From the Passenger Seat". Here is our first submission by Donna Durning.

I decided to share my "not-so-secret" secret recipe for my Ham and Cheese Ball! It is so simple to make and has just a few ingredients. It is always a hit at social gatherings. In fact, it would be great to bring to one of our EMC events! What a great idea....maybe I'll do just that. I hope you'll try it and enjoy!

## **Donna's Ham and Cheese Ball**

2 8 -oz. packages cream cheese

1 6-oz package Hillshire Farms Deli Select Smoked Ham (chopped) Garlic powder to taste

Bring cream cheese to room temperature. Mix everything with hands. Roll into a ball. Then roll in chopped pecans. Serve with crackers. i usually use Sociables. Enjoy!

Ladies, please send your submissions to durning.donna@yahoo.com.



Be sure to watch the video/slideshow taken at the EMC 2015 Annual Meeting. Hope you enjoy it!

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