



# A-Antics



## Business Meeting Report

Matt Wigent's Day in the Garage, March 25

Kimber Birthday Party, April 22

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1997-1998 *Neil Griffin*  
1999-2002 *Bruce Nichols*



## Rowdies Calendar of Up Coming Events



### March 25, 2006, Saturday

Day in the Garage: MGA clutch installation, West Bloomfield, Mi, Matt & Lisa Wigent host.

### April 22, 2006 Saturday

Kimber Birthday Party, Delhi Café, Holt MI  
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Michigan MG Clubs host

### May 2006 TBD

Day in the Garage: Flint, MI Mark Barnhart/Pat Schwartz

### May 13, 2006 Saturday

Rowdies' Funkahna :Ypsilanti, MI Curt & Stephanie Smith & Jon & Theresa Burchwell host

### June 2-4, 2006

NAMGAR Regional GT in Hallet, OK in conjunction with MG Vintage Racers

### June 4, 2006

The British Return to Fort Meigs, Perrysburg, OH

### June 4, 2006

Orphan Car Show: Ypsilanti, MI

### June 16, 17 & 18 2006

Stratford Festival Trip, Stratford, Ontario  
Hosted by the Windsor-Detroit MG Club  
[www.mgcars.org.uk/wdmqcc/](http://www.mgcars.org.uk/wdmqcc/)

### June 21-25, 2006

MG 2006: NAMGAR GT 31 and North American Council of MG Registers, Gatlinburg, TN  
[www.mg2006.com](http://www.mg2006.com)

## The Passing of David Ash

According to the latest Columbia Gorge MGA Club newsletter, Michael Eaton has reported the death of his friend David Ash.

David Ash was the former J.S. Inskip Motors sales manager in Manhattan. He was the Sebring race team captain '53, '56, and '57. Ash became known as "Mr. MG" for his dedication to racing and selling the mark in the USA. In addition to competing at Sebring, Ash drove EX-179 at Bonneville along with Phil Hill and Tommy Wisdom.

MGA ad collectors will recall seeing Ash's car, white number 114, in the very popular color ad in which 10 MGA's are lined up on the starting grid at Lime Rock (The octagon on the battle line). Other MG historians will recall reading the April 1957 Sports Cars Illustrated article on Ash's Sebring preparation.



Many of us were fortunate to meet David at Watkins Glen in 2004 where he was enjoying his time behind the wheel (see photo) of his 1957 white Sebring MGA 1500 that was restored by Michael Eaton. A number of the Rowdies have now seen the CD version of "D.O.H.C., Test Run at Lime Rock." by David Ash. It is a period film in which David "Mr. MG" Ash puts the brand new MGA Twin Cam through its paces at the famous Lime Rock race track in the Spring of 1959. Competition driving tips and a neat little piece of history. David Ash was kind enough to personally sign my copy of the CD and also to sign my vintage MG racer's patch on my Rowdies jacket. Rest in peace, David. We owe a debt of gratitude to NAMGAR for making it possible for us to meet legends like David Ash and Bob Olthoff before they went to a better place to race their MGAs.

Dave Quinn

### July 8-9, 2006

Mad Dogs & Englisemen: Hickory Corners MI

### July 9, 2006

Cincinatti British Car Show: Cincinatti, OH

### July 29, 2006

Rowdies Birthday Party: Oakland, MI  
Steve & Cathy Holliday host

### August 4, 2006

Clarkston Concourse in the Park: Clarkston, MI

### August 5, 2006

Dayton British car Show: Dayton, OH

### August 18-20, 2006

Mid-Ohio Vintage Races

### September 9, 2006

Rowdies Fall Meet: Belleville, MI  
Neil & Thelma Griffin host

### September 9-10, 2006

Watkins Glen Vintage Races: Watkins Glen, NY

### September 10, 2006

Battle of the Brits: Sterling Heights, MI

### September 16-17, 2006

Bronte Creek British Car Show: Toronto, ON

### October 14-15 2006

American British Reliability Run

### December 2, 2006

Rowdies Christmas Party: seeking host

### February 3, 2007

Rowdie Business Meeting: Rockford, MI  
Mac & Joni McDonnell host

Please visit the NAMGAR website for other MG events. [www.namgar.com](http://www.namgar.com)

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Deadline for submitting material for the next issue is: April 15



## Chairman's Chatter by Gordie Bird

Blah, winter! I haven't seen an MG on the road in months. Last

summers wonderful driving season is now only a fond memory. But spring is not too far away, and now is the time to get your projects done. I sent an email requesting a few strong backs to help set my body on the frame. Although many of us didn't have strong backs, we made up for it in numbers. The amount of MGA knowledge present was amazing and we had the body on and bolted down in short order. Thanks everyone! It was kind of funny, after everyone left I started cleaning up and noticed every MGA book I own, Original MGA, Haynes, shop manual, 2 Moss catalogs, and more all open to a different section and stacked atop one another. The pile must have been 8" tall! Now the electrics are all in and working, motor turns over with oil pressure, but haven't started yet for lack of an exhaust pipe to manifold sealing ring. Lbcarco.com has them in stock, so I'll have it started in a few days.

Do you have a project that you need a hand with? I'll bet if you asked the club for help, you'd find some. I'll be heading over to Matt Wigents in March to help put a new clutch in his car. What have you got going?

Since the last newsletter Rich Pollion had spent some time in the hospital, but I'm happy to report he is back home and recuperating. Get well soon Rich.

Our condolences to Bruce Nichols and family on the

loss of his father, Mason Nichols, after a long illness. The annual business meeting was held on February 11 at Casa Cavallo, the beautiful home of Dick & Diana Grucz. See the minutes elsewhere in this issue for the details. Thanks for hosting Dick & Diana.

Are you going to MG 2006 in Gatlinburg, TN? Want to know who else is going? Check out <http://www.frapp.com>. In the upper right search for "MG 2006" and see a map of North America showing where attendees are coming from. Enter your name, or just see who else is going.

I've been trying to gather club members email addresses. Occasionally I run across items of interest to the club and I like to pass those on. Email is a quick convenient way to do so. If you'd like to be included, please send me your email address. If you've been getting emails from me and would rather not, please let me know that too.

MG\_garage@comcast.net.

Just one more newsletter and the driving season will be upon us. I'm looking forward to seeing you on the road.

Safety Fast  
Safety First  
Gordie



Matt Wigent, Neil Griffin, Dave Quinn, Gordie Bird & Jeff Zorn review newsletters and articles received from other MG car clubs before the Business Meeting at Dick & Diana Grucz' in February.

## Letters & E-mails:

From Berne, N.Y.

Just received the latest "A-Antics" and have to tell you that I always find it interesting and nicely done.

Mark sent me the wrap-up to the bearing nut "story." I would like to use that plus parts of the preliminary discussion that you published in the Nov/Dec issue, page 15. Do you have that copy in electronic form that you can send me? My OCR program is lousy.

Also, Gordie Bird had an interesting article in the Jan/Feb issue about wrench sizes. I'd like to use that in a future issue of MGA!. If that is OK with you both, do you also have that in an electronic form to send me?

Thanks.

Hal Roeth, MGA! Magazine Editor

*Ed. Note: Gee Thanks Hal!*

From Orion, MI

A letter in response to Ed. note and question at the end of my Jan. - Feb. 2006 "Christmas at Cote's" article I wrote. If Brian can say he actually has an "A", then I can say not only have I "seen" Brian's car, he & I drove it to the SuperBowl & had a great tailgate party out of it. We had such a great time!, especially the thrill of driving it thru 8 inches of freshly fallen snow.

Keep watching for my upcoming article on the super SuperBowl adventure we had in Brian's MGA. You won't want to miss it. Party on Rowdies,  
Tracey Bird

*Ed. Note: I still don't believe it! I can't wait to see the article, though. Pictures?*



Hostess Diana Grucz & Tracey Bird anticipate the punch line of another tall Rowdie tale.

## Overheard on the Internet:

February 10:

We cannot make the (Business) meeting as the Windsor-Detroiters have a conflicting meeting.

But if we are planning GT40, I'm washing my hair that day.....

Philip Wiltshire

February 11:

Philip you are quite the little risk taker..... don't you know that's how one gets elected for offices like GT-40 Chairman - by not being there.

Dave Quinn

February 12:

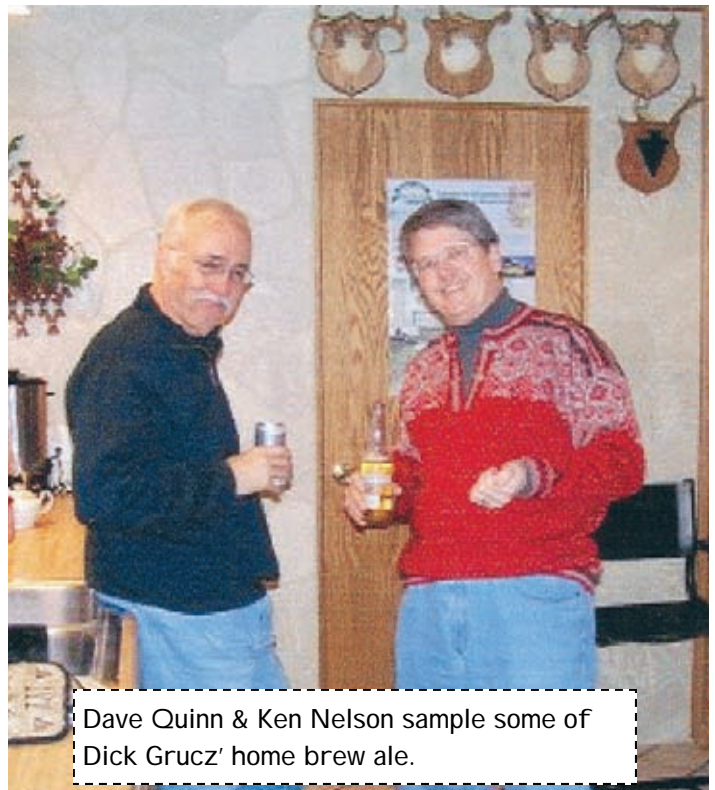
OK OK, you guys win.....

I've been doing some research and based on who owns MG at the moment and past GT 30 activity, I propose we hold it in Kalamazoo or Beijing.

In either case, I am sure the Site Committee in 2013 will make fine justifications.

I'm looking forward to reading about it as I am planning to be in the witness protection program well before then.

Philip W (aka.....)



Dave Quinn & Ken Nelson sample some of Dick Grucz' home brew ale.

# Business Meeting Report

Dick and Diana Grucz graciously opened their house to hordes of hungry Michigan Rowdies on Feb 11, 2006 for another annual business meeting to find out the State of the Union (Skinner's Union that is) for our beloved Little British cars in the Land of Detroit Behemoths. Among those attending were Gordie and Tracy Bird, Steve and Cathy Holliday, Neil and Thelma Griffin, Dave and Donna Quinn, Ken and Kathy Nelson, Dave and Phyllis Goeddecke, Brian Beery, Dave and Chari Smith, Jeff and Jan Zorn, Rob and Denise Cote, Mike McDonnell, Matt Wigent, and new members Larry and Mitzi Pittman. Not a bad turnout for a dreary Michigan winter day, but regrettably not conducive to anyone showing up driving British steel. Fortunately for a winter meet, it turns out that Dick and Diana have a cavernously large basement just waiting for a party. Probably just as well for the Rowdies also, as there was an awful lot of pretty and expensive looking stuff upstairs just waiting to be knocked off a shelf. There was food 'a plenty with a fantabulous chicken entrée prepared by Diana, and dishes to pass from all attendees. Diana even made copies of the recipe to hand out to all the ladies who wished one, and thoughtfully (for me anyway) didn't leave them with the guys. Steve and Cathy gave away their secret Thanksgiving turkey dressing recipe as well. It entailed stuffing White Castle hamburgers ("sliders" to the informed) up the backside of aforementioned turkey until full and cooking until done. I hope Kathy sticks with Diana's recipe at our house.

Gordie Bird brought the meeting to order after everyone had a chance to finish their food, belch and burp a bit, go to the bathroom, and grab another beer to go with the desserts. First on the agenda was a hearty round of applause for Philip Wiltshire and all of us Rowdies for once again pulling off a wonderful GT-30. So far the score stands 3 for 3 on producing a winning national GT by the Rowdies. Due to the fact that the Windsor-Detroit British car club had their formal winter meet and dance the same night, Phil and Jan Wiltshire were unable to attend our business meet. This, of course, left the door wide open for us to elect Philip chairman of GT-40, and he won by a landslide. Congratulations Philip! Jeff Zorn then reported that our bank account is quite respectable, after receiving

about \$2500 from NAMGAR as payment of ½ the profit from the GT. Way to go Rowdies! This left another door open for plenty of parties this summer, and that motion was carried unanimously as well.



Then it was time for Brian Beery's regalia report at which time he shamelessly "hawked" blue Rowdy club T-shirts at \$5 apiece on a "one-size-fits-all-if-you-use-it-as-a-polishing-cloth" basis. It appears that we have enough stock to last through the Gatlinburg GT next June, and Denise Cote has been taking orders for zippered sweatshirts with the Rowdy logo that look toasty warm on a coolish day in a roadster with the top down. Call Denise to order yours today.

This coming years' calendar of events was next to be hashed out by Steve Holliday and potential events were discussed and decided on. Everything from Days-in-the-Garage, regional GT's, Kimber's birthday party, gymkhanas, vintage racing, the MG-2006 national meet, Neil and Thelma's annual Corn and Hotdog Roast (you will do this annually, won't you, Neil?), the Rowdy Birthday party and auction (get your gavel ready Dave Quinn), Mad Dog's at Gilmore museum, Concours at Clarkston, British Reliability Run (I think we all see the humor in this phrase, don't we?), and the Christmas party and gift swapping session, were presented with the tentative dates. Steve will be listing these on the club's webpage site soon, and a few more (or less) events could pop up. A possible event tasting beer (any

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volunteers out there?) might be arranged by Dick Grucz, and a day at Carl Heideman's Eclectic Motors in Holland is a possibility among others, so check out the newsletter and website calendar.

With all of that taken care of, a motion was made to adjourn, and passed after all present gave a round of applause to Dick and Diana for doing a great job hosting this event. Since there were no tires to kick, the "hanger's on" had to content each other with telling tall tales of cunning and bravery regarding past exploits and future planned events. There was more than enough of that to go around, and even to fill up Dick and Diana's barn out back if need be. Thanks again for a great event!

Ken Nelson  
February 12, 2006

Michigan Chapter, North American  
MGA Register Michigan Rowdies  
Annual Business Meeting  
February 11, 2006  
Host – Dick & Diana Grucz

Meeting was called to order at 3:05 PM  
Gordie Bird reported that Rich Pollion is home and doing well.  
Gordie Bird reported that NAMGAR sent the Rowdies a check for \$2700 as a result of GT-30.  
Jeff Zorn provided the treasurers report and was accepted.  
Brian Beery reported on regalia sales. Brian also mentioned that Philip Wiltshire donated the remaining GT-30 posters (@ 10) to make available for sale. Accepted.  
Denise Cote said that the Rowdie Wear was selling well and we are making a profit.  
Membership Chairman not present. Dave Smith reported on the membership.  
Minutes from last meeting were accepted.  
**Old Business:** A-Antics Tech Tip Manual: It was decided that 1 manual is kept on eBay. Matt Wigent volunteered to see that one was listed all the time. The reserve will be \$27 and will include shipping to continental US. It was further decided that we would shrink wrap a couple of copies to provide to Brian for display and sale when vending Rowdie regalia.

Michigan Rowdies  
Profit & Loss  
January through December 2005

	Jan - Dec 05
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
Advertising	20.00
Auction	498.00
GT 30 Income	2,713.06
Membership Dues	1,244.00
Regalia Sales	1,316.00
Tech Manual - A-Antics	81.50
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>5,872.56</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
A-Antics Newsletter	
Misc	37.62
Postage	375.85
Printing	540.60
<b>Total A-Antics Newsletter</b>	<b>954.07</b>
Bank Charge	0.00
Membership Directory Printing	129.32
Membership Supplies	44.31
Office Supplies	33.01
Regalia	1,143.74
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>2,304.45</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>3,568.11</b>
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Michigan Rowdies  
Balance Sheet  
As of December 31, 2005

	Dec 31, 05
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
Checking/Savings	
Peoples	6,958.65
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	<b>6,958.65</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>6,958.65</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>6,958.65</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>Equity</b>	
Opening Bal Equity	3,390.54
Net Income	3,568.11
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>6,958.65</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>6,958.65</b>

**New business:** Welcome new members in attendance, Larry & Mitzi Pittman.

Discussion on electronic format for newsletter in addition to printed copy. Gordie Bird had converted a newsletter to .pdf, but was still 6mb. It was decided that 6mb would be too big to email and that we would attempt to put it on our website with the help of Steve Mazurek.

The availability of the membership list in electronic format was discussed and Mac McDonnell said he could provide it to those that wanted it. If someone wants it, they are to email Mac. Mac also called for a round of applause for Steve Mazurek for all of the work he did to make the Rowdie database 'user friendly'.

It was decided that we would try to send the A-Antics without an envelope as this would save us considerable money on the mailing.

The exchange newsletter was brought up, that we were sending 22 out and only getting about 6 in return, and most of those were going to the wrong address. It was suggested that perhaps a separate letter to each of the editors may get things changed, and if not, drop them from the exchange. **Events:**

**March:** On the 25<sup>th</sup> Matt Wigent is hosting a 'day in the garage' as he needs a clutch installed. Location is a heated garage in West Bloomfield. Beer and food provided.

**April:** Dave Smith to get info on the annual Kimber party. NAMGAR Regional meet in Key West.

**May:** 13<sup>th</sup> Ypsilanti Funkhana. Leftover GT Victoria British gift certificates donated by club for prizes. Curt & Stephanie Smith, John Burchwell hosting. Date to be determined 'day in the garage' at Mark Barnhart's.

**June:** 2-4, NAMGAR regional in Hallet, OK in conjunction with MG vintage races.

4, return to Fort Meigs British car show in Perrysburg, Ohio; 16-18<sup>th</sup> annual Stratford run hosted by Philip & Jan Wiltshire;

21-25, MG2006 in Gatlinburg, TN

**July** 8-9<sup>th</sup>, Mad Dogs and Englishmen, Hickory Corners; 9<sup>th</sup> Cincinnati British car show; 29<sup>th</sup> Rowdies Birthday party hosted by the Holliday's.

**August:** 4, Clarkston Concourse in the Park 5, Dayton British car show; 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, Mid Ohio Vintage Races. Club car corral available.

**September:** 10<sup>th</sup> Battle of the Brits in Sterling Heights; 9<sup>th</sup> Fall meet hosted by Neil and Thelma Griffin; 9-10<sup>th</sup> Watkins Glen Vintage races; 16-17<sup>th</sup> Bronte Creek British car show in Toronto.

**October:** 14-15<sup>th</sup> American British Reliability Run

**November:** – nothing scheduled

**December:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Rowdies Christmas Party, hosted by Philip & Jan Wiltshire(?), Doug & Aileen Butcher(?), Rob & Denise Cote'(?)...any volunteers?

**February 2007:** 3, Rowdies business meeting hosted by Mac & Joni McDonnell in Rockford.

**Other Events:**

Dick Gruz is arranging a tour of Michigan Brewery in their new location. Dick will let us know of possible dates.

An event at a B&B in Harbor Springs was suggested, Rob Cote' to follow up with possible dates, costs.

Once again Carl Heideman has offered an event at his shop, Eclectic Motor Works. As fellow Rowdie Brad Dryden is currently having his coupe done by Carl it was suggested that we visit Eclectic while Brad's car is being worked on. Gordie Bird to follow up with some suggested dates.

Thanks and applause to Dick and Diana Gruz for hosting the meet. Meeting Adjourned



New members Mitzi and Larry Pittman of Fenton, MI are greeted by Brian Beery at the Business Meeting



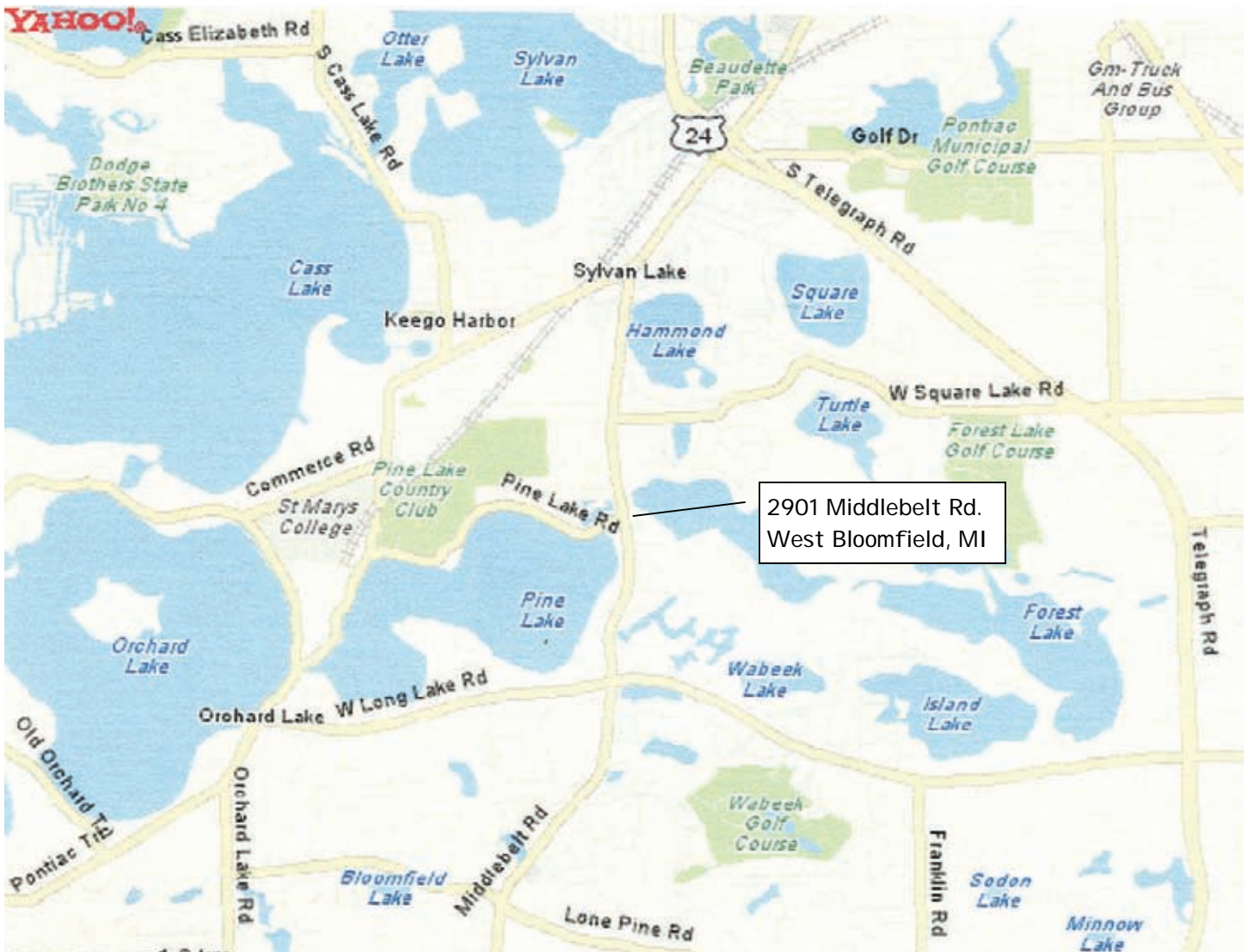
## DAY IN THE GARAGE

- \* Matt Wigent's Clutch \*
- \* 11:00 am, March 25 2006 \*
- \* West Bloomfield, Michigan\*

Come over starting at 11:00am on Saturday, March, 25, 2006 at the Matt Wigent's grandmother's in West Bloomfield (She is in Florida and my MGA has the two car heated garage to itself and its parts). We are going to pull the 18GA engine and replace a 10 spline clutch on an MGA transmission.

Lunch, snacks, and a reasonable amount of drinks provided. Ladies welcome to come along, relax near the fireplace and drink margaritas with Lisa. The address is 2901 Middlebelt Rd., West Bloomfield. It is south of Square Lake Road, across the street from Pine Lake Road and north of Long Lake. For those of you coming from outside Oakland County, take the Square Lake exit off I-75 west to Middlebelt and make a left. She is on the east side of the road.

**Questions? Call Matt at (248)701-5912.**



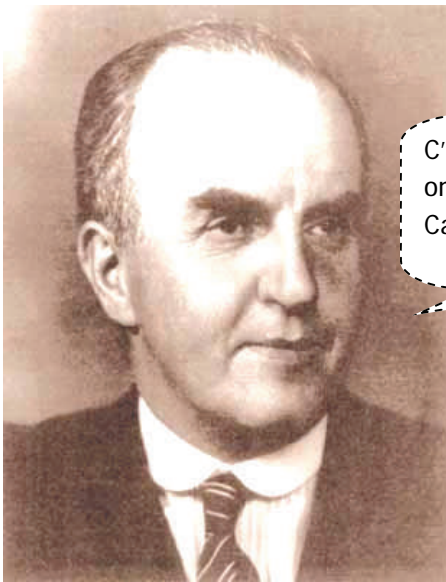
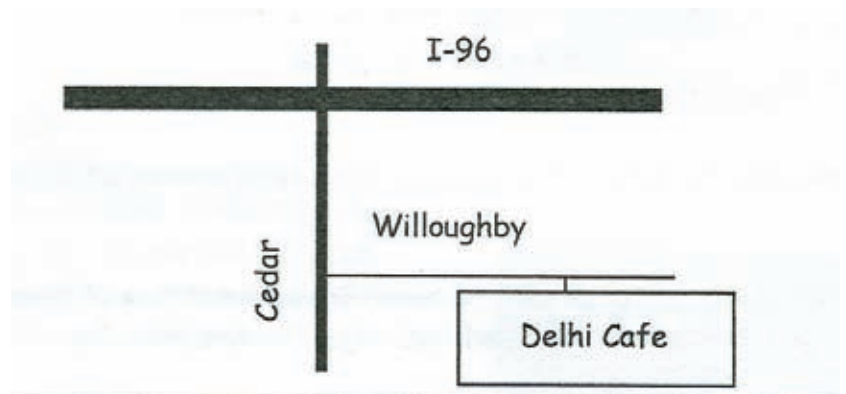
# Cecil Kimber's 118th Birthday Party

Saturday April 22, 2006

12:00 Noon

Delhi Café, 4625 Willoughby Road, Holt, MI (517) 694-8655

Get that MG out of the garage and join the Rowdies, the Speckled Hens, the Lansing Area MG club, the Windsor-Detroit MG club, and the British Motoring club in the first get-together of the year. Arrive at noon to have lunch and socialize with a wide variety of British Car enthusiasts at this annual warm-up to our driving season. We all order from the menu and pay for our own, and then hang out in the parking lot for a while afterward to kick the tires. The Windsor - Detroit MG club brings the Birthday Cake, but you have to come and get it.



C'mon, put the fenders back on and drive it to the Delhi Café' for my Birthday Party!



# Funkhana Driving Meet

Saturday May 13, 2006

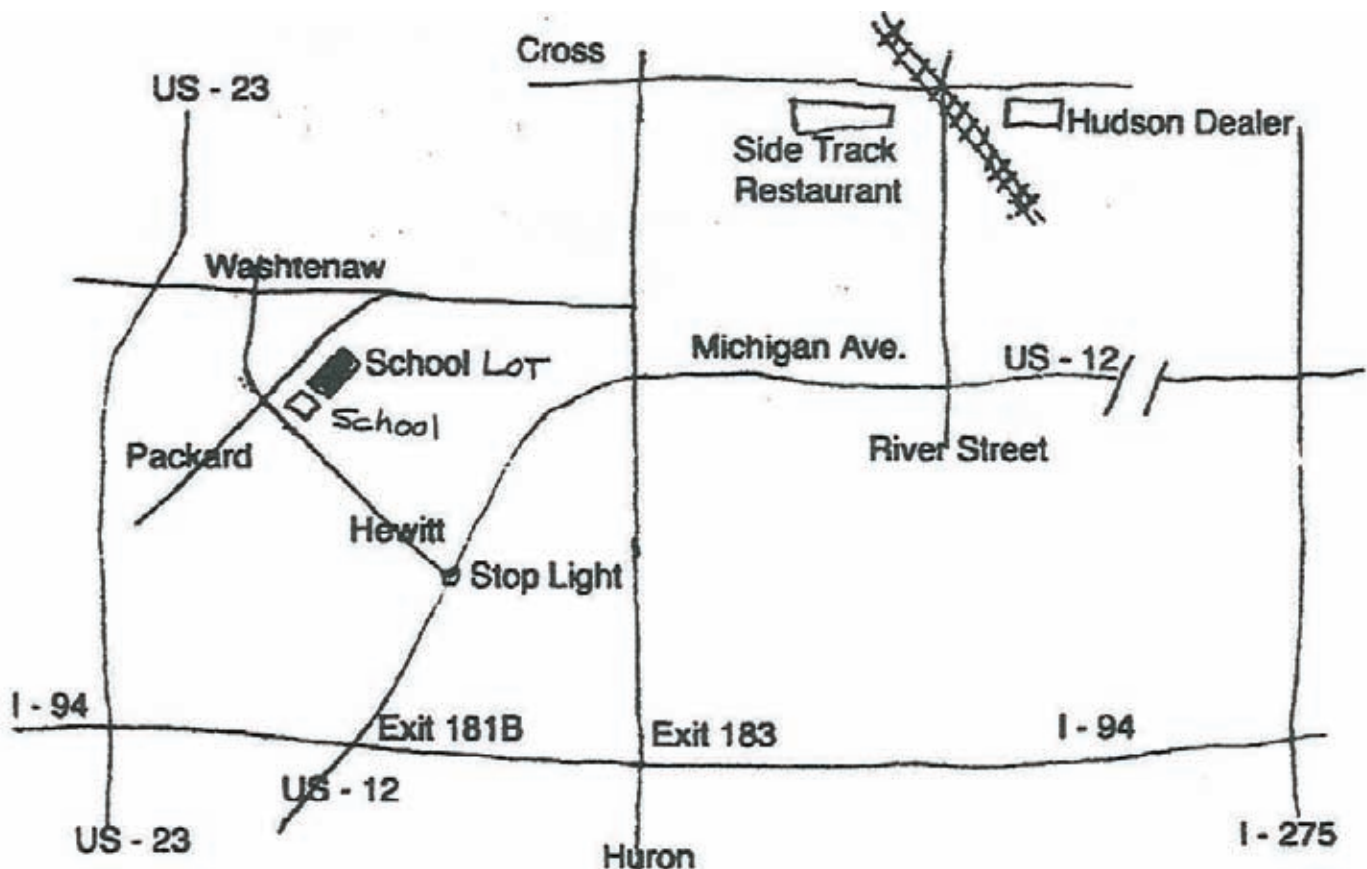
Ypsilanti High School Parking Lot—1885 Packard

Do Not enter the driveways going into the school. Instead look for a large parking lot sitting some distance to the left of the school as you face it.

Practice runs will start at **10:00 a.m. sharp**. Results will be based on your best time of three runs. No experience needed. Test your driving skills and the limits of your MG at low speeds and enjoy the tire squealing.

Following the funkhana, participants will proceed to the Side track Restaurant. Parking is available behind the Hudson Dealer museum a short distance away.

Questions or additional information: Jon Burchwell (734) 487-5366 or Curt Smith (734) 697-4363



**WIRE COLOR CODES AND TROUBLE-SHOOTING - CC-101**

This is your basic guide to MGA wiring color codes and trouble-shooting. Most electrical problems can be easily diagnosed in a few basic steps: Identify the problem, refer to the wiring diagrams, trace through the circuit connector by connector starting at one end (usually the hot side) until the problem is found. In general, wire end connectors may be loose or corroded, but the wires will usually be okay. All of the wire connections are outside of the wiring loom, so there is no reason to cut into the harness binding.

The single most essential tool for electrical trouble-shooting is a test light. This can help you diagnose about 90% of all problems you may encounter, and can be purchased for a few dollars. Without a test light, all you can do is wiggle some connectors and cross your fingers. The next tool that is occasionally handy and helpful with some tougher problems is a Volt-and-Ohm meter, commonly known as a VOM. Some small analog VOMs can be purchased for as little as \$10, while a nice pocket size digital unit (DVM) can be had for less than \$30.

Following is a short list of the basic color codes used for the primary circuits. If you can remember these eight primary colors and what they mean, you're well on your way to understanding Lucas electrics.

**BROWN** = Battery Circuit. Originates at control box terminals A and A1, feeds the ignition switch and lighting circuits unfused, and also the horn through a fuse. Brown wires are ALWAYS HOT. Accessories can be installed at fusebox terminal A1, but should always be fused separately.

**YELLOW** = Generator Circuit. Generator terminal D (armature, aka dynamo) to control box terminal D and ignition warning light. These wires will be hot with IGNITION ON.

**WHITE** = Ignition Circuit. These wires feed circuits that are hot with the IGNITION ON, and are NOT FUSED.

**GREEN** = Auxiliary Circuits. These wires are fed from the ignition switch, are hot with IGNITION ON and are FUSED.

**BLUE** = Headlamp Circuit. These circuits are fed from a terminal on the light switch and are NOT FUSED.

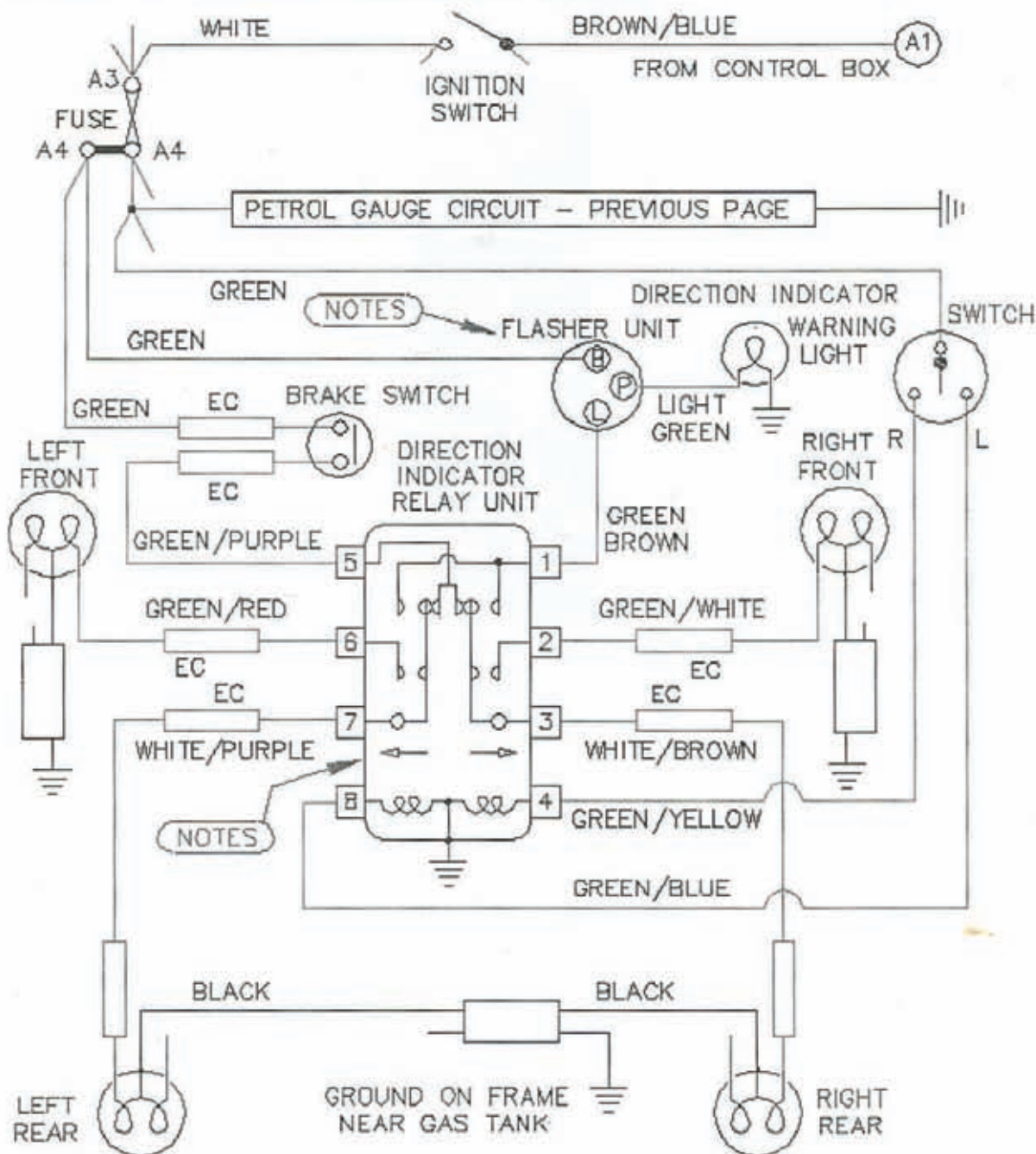
**RED** = Side and Tail Lamp Circuits. These circuits are fed from the S1 or T terminals on the light switch, including fog lamps and panel lamps, and are also NOT FUSED.

**BLACK** = Grounded Circuits (Earth connections). Any components not internally grounded are grounded to the chassis. These wires are not fused, but should always show 0 volts and 0 ohms in relation to the earth terminal of the battery. If you have dim bulbs or slow flashers, think "bad ground". Any black wire which shows voltage or lights a test lamp has a bad chassis connection.

One additional general note on color codes. Once a circuit passes a switch it will have a secondary color stripe. A ground return circuit passing through a switch will generally be black with a white stripe.

### SWITCH ON AND FUSED - 1500

Shown below is more of the MGA fused ignition circuit diagram. This page shows the brake light and turn signal circuits for the MGA 1500. This model uses just one filament in the rear lamps for both brake light and turn signal, so it incorporates a relay box to switch the bulb out of the brake light circuit and into the turn signal circuit when you operate the switch on the dash. Snap connectors labeled EC are in the engine compartment near the starter switch.



# Very Pun-ny

\* Two antennas met on a roof, fell in love and got married. The ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was excellent.

\* A jumper cable walks into a bar. The bartender says, "I'll serve you, but don't start anything."

\* Two peanuts walk into a bar, and one was a salted.

\* A dyslexic man walks into a bra.

\* A man walks into a bar with a slab of asphalt under his arm and says: "A beer please, and one for the road."

\* Two cannibals are eating a clown. One says to the other:

"Does this taste funny to you?"

\* "Doc, I can't stop singing 'The Green, Green Grass of Home.'" "That sounds like Tom Jones Syndrome." "Is it common?" "Well, it's Not Unusual."

\* Two cows are standing next to each other in a field. Daisy says to Dolly, "I was artificially inseminated this morning." "I don't believe you," says Dolly. "It's true, no bull!" exclaims Daisy.

\* An invisible man marries an invisible woman. The kids were nothing to look at either.

\* Deja Moo: The feeling that you've heard this bull before.

\* I went to buy some camouflage trousers the other day but I couldn't find any.

\* A man woke up in a hospital after a serious accident. He shouted, Doctor, doctor, I can't feel my legs!" The doctor replied, "I know you can't - I've cut off your arms!"

\* I went to a seafood disco last week...and pulled a mussel.

\* What do you call a fish with no eyes? A fsh.

\* Two fish swim into a concrete wall. The one turns to the other and says "Dam!".

\* Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly, so they lit a fire in the craft. Unsurprisingly it sank, proving once again that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.

\* A group of chess enthusiasts checked into a hotel and were standing in the lobby discussing their recent tournament victories. After about an hour, the manager came out of the office and asked them to disperse. "But why," they asked, as they moved off. "Because", he said, "I can't stand chess-nuts boasting in an open foyer."

\* A woman has twins and gives them up for adoption. One of them goes to a family in Egypt and is named "Ahmal." The other goes to a family in Spain; they name him "Juan." Years later, Juan sends a picture of himself to his birth mother. Upon receiving the picture, she tells her husband that she wishes she also had a picture of Ahmal. Her husband responds, "They're twins! If you've seen Juan, you've seen Ahmal."

\* Mahatma Gandhi, as you know, walked barefoot most of the time, which produced an impressive set of calluses on his feet. He also ate very little, which made him rather frail and with his odd diet, he suffered from bad breath. This made him (Oh, man, this is so bad, it's good).... "A super calloused fragile mystic hexed by halitosis."

\* And finally, there was the person who sent twenty different puns to his friends, with the hope that at least ten of the puns would make them laugh. No pun in ten did.

# Members Page

## Rowdies Website

Steve Mazurek, Webmaster

URL: <http://www.mgcars.org.uk/michiganrowdies/>

## Mac McDonnells Database Report

1 new members since January 1, 2006.

85 Active and paid-up members.

74 % NAMGAR members.

## New Member Information

*Please welcome our newest members*

Larry & Mitzi Pittman

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Fenton, MI

[larrypit@chartermi.net](mailto:larrypit@chartermi.net)

Alan & Sheila Partington

9448 Softwater Woods Dr.

Clarkston, MI

Steve & Teri Kennedy

30215 Cosino Dr.

Warren, MI

## E-mail's being returned

*Please keep your emails up-to-date.*

E-mail address correction:

Dick & Diana Grucz

[cascavallo@charter.net](mailto:cascavallo@charter.net)

Address change:

Bruce Nichols

56343 Buckhorn Rd.

Three Rivers, MI 49093-9652



**Congratulations** to Curt & Stephani Smith on the birth of their first grandchild. Granddaughter Zoe Jean Rymanowicz, arrived on February 17th and weighed in at 7 lbs, 11 oz.

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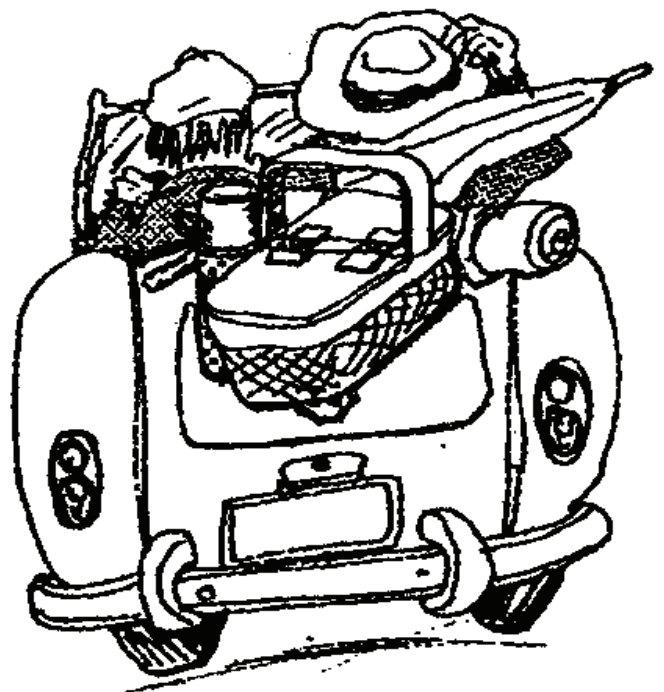


**Condolences** to Bruce Nichols, whose father, Mason Nichols passed away on February 12, 2006. May he rest in peace. Please keep Bruce in your thoughts & prayers.

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