

ILLINI METS NEWSLETTER

"Be It Ever So Humble"

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ATTEND THE MARCH OR NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS AND YOU WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN A FREE LUNCH !

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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As I sit and write this, it is approaching the end of January. Four or five weeks until the first of March, Springtime. Even though we have had a mild winter, I am more than ready for spring.

On January 19, 2003 the Illini Met Board of Directors met to establish the calendar of events for 2003.

March 8, 2003 : Membership Meeting, Wheaton, IL
April 26, 2003 : Tech Session*, Roscoe, IL / Pot Luck Dinner
June 28-29, 2003 : Railroad Days and Car Show, Railroad Museum, Galesburg, IL
July 11-13, 2003 : MOCNA International Meet, Auburn Hills, MI.
August 17, 2003 : Orphan Car Show, Aurora, IL
September 7, 2003 : British Car Show, Palos Hills, IL
October 11, 2003 : Fall Color Tour, Around Lake Geneva, WI
November 8, 2003 : Membership Meeting, Winfield, IL
December 6, 2003 : Christmas Party, Clocktower ?, Rockford, IL

*An explanation might be needed here. The Tech Session we have scheduled for April 26, 2003 will be at my home in Roscoe, IL. We will do light maintenance, repairs, etc. to Metropolitans. Please call ahead for what you need repaired. Order your parts so they are there ahead of time. If it is not drivable, please let myself or Lowell St. Clair know. Either of us might be able to get there ahead of time. We won't do engine rebuilds or major work. Call and let us know what you need help doing. This is a great opportunity to get your car ready for the summer.

Inside this newsletter you will find a nomination form for Illini Met officers. Please take the time and fill them out and mail them back.

Along with that, I have been nominated for President of MOCNA. I would appreciate all of you taking the time to fill out the ballot in the upcoming Met Gazette and mail it back in. If you vote for me, I'd appreciate it. If not, that's fine too, but please do VOTE.

Also inside this newsletter is a note from our Membership Director. We are rearranging the date when our dues are to be paid. Please take notice. This will affect almost everybody. MOCNA has established a new judging system. When you attend the 2003 International Meet, you will have two different ways to have your car judged. One is the traditional People Choice class, where the participants vote for their favorite cars. It will be divided into classes, giving plenty of chances for trophies. The second method is a new "Concours Class" for Original or Restored to Original cars. It will be based upon a 400-point system, competing against a standard. Gold, Silver and Bronze grille medallions will be awarded. A new Judging Reference Manual was written to better explain what this new judging class would look at. It has almost 100-color photos. It is a must have for a person restoring their car to original. They can be ordered from Betty and Mike Jacobson (MOCNA) for \$15 plus postage. Give them a call to get one.

Enjoy the rest of your winter. I hope all of you are working on getting your Mets ready for Spring.

Gary Bosselman

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Visit our website for updated events schedules, maps and pictures of previous events

illinimets.tripod.com/

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Due to insurance concerns, you must be a member of MOCNA to be a member of the local Illini Met club.

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Welcome to New Members !

The Illini Metropolitan Club would like to welcome its newest members :

Tom and Mary Spriggs of Chicago, IL who have a 1958 red and white Met
and

Kelly & Mark Roberts of Stillman Valley who have a 1962 yellow/white hardtop

We look forward to meeting you at an upcoming Met event !

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Thanks to John and Claudia Teschky !

The Illini Metropolitan Club would like to thank John and Claudia Teschky for graciously hosting the Holiday Party last month. From what I hear, everyone had a great time and no one went home hungry ! *Thanks John and Claudia !*

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WHOSE DUES ARE DUE?

DECEMBER:

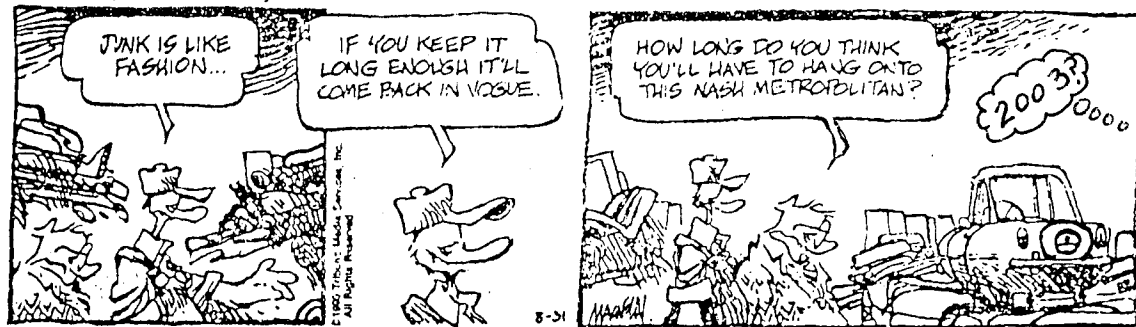
- # 15 BARTO
- # 74 HYLAND
- # 33 LATHAM (ILLINI ONLY)
- # 2 MCDUFFEE
- #164 POTTS
- #124 RAMBO

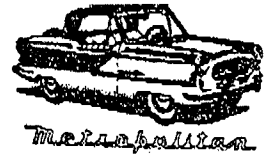
NOTE:

Both MOCNA & ILLINI dues are due by the end of your Month Due Date unless otherwise specified. Make one (1) check payable to the ILLINI METS and mail to Treasurer Karen St.Clair, 1325 Lincoln Road, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. MOCNA - \$20.00yr. ILLINI - \$10.00yr.

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SHOE By Jeff MacNelly





FREE ILLINI MEMBERSHIP FOR 2003

SAVE \$10

In order to simplify the recordkeeping for the ILLINI METS chapter ONLY, all paid up members as of 12-31-02, will be given a 1 YEAR FREE MEMBERSHIP from January 1, 2003 until December 31, 2003. ALL ILLINI member dues will be due, THEREAFTER, in the month of JANUARY, starting in 2004. Any advance payments made before December 31, 2002 for ILLINI dues will be credited to you. Example: If you have already paid thru your due date in 2004, you will be credited thru 2005. Dues will still be mailed to Karen St.Clair/ Treasurer. This is for ILLINI METS DUES ONLY!

New joining member dues after 12-31-02 will be prorated as to what month they join.

You are still responsible for paying your MOCNA dues in the month that they are due. Please use the envelope in your MET GAZETTE to mail your dues directly to MOCNA.

REMEMBER, you must be a current MOCNA member in order to belong to any state chapter so please pay your dues on time.

Karen St.Clair
Treasurer



**MINUTES
ILLINI METS CHAPTER
NOVEMBER 9, 2002**

The membership meeting was held on Saturday, November 9, 2002 at the Oakfield Family Restaurant in Winfield, IL. Those members present were Lowell & Karen St.Clair, Gary Bosselman, Nancy Mackey, Marge & Bob Greenlee, Charles & Laila Potts, Gail Brandys, and Ken McDuffee.

President Gary Bosselman opened the meeting by introducing the club officers and extending a thank you to the members for coming to the meeting.

Concerning Old Business:

Gary gave a recap of the year's meets with members and METS attending each meet. Our new club shirts were discussed and several more members expressed interest in purchasing the shirts.

The upcoming Xmas party was discussed. Members Marge & Bob Greenlee and Charles & Laila Potts offered to bring the main entrée of ham & turkey. Everyone else was to bring a dish to pass. The Teschky's will coordinate the party.

Treasurer, Karen St.Clair gave the Treasury Report and it was accepted as given.

Concerning New Business:

It was decided to have an executive board meeting on January 19, 2003, in Peru, IL to schedule the club's upcoming events for the year. Culver's Restaurant will be the site for the meeting.

A March 8, 2003 Membership meeting will again be held at the Oakfield Family Restaurant in Winfield, IL.

A drawing was held for a 1 yr. membership in the ILLINI METS of the members present. Lowell & Karen St.Clair were the winners. CONGRATULATIONS!

The 1st Newsletter of 2003 will include a Nomination Ballot for club officers since 2003 is an election year. An updated Roster will also be included in the Newsletter.

Karen read a nomination of Gary Bosselman for the next MOCNA President. Gary thanked everyone and told them he would appreciate their support. He urged members to Vote for their candidate of choice in the upcoming election of MOCNA officers.

There was no further business for discussion so the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen St.Clair/Secretary
ILLINI METS

Illini Metropolitan Owners Club

SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2003



Location : Oakfield Family Restaurant
27W229 Geneva Road
Winfield, IL
630-690-3303
(In the Prairie Trail Shopping Center)

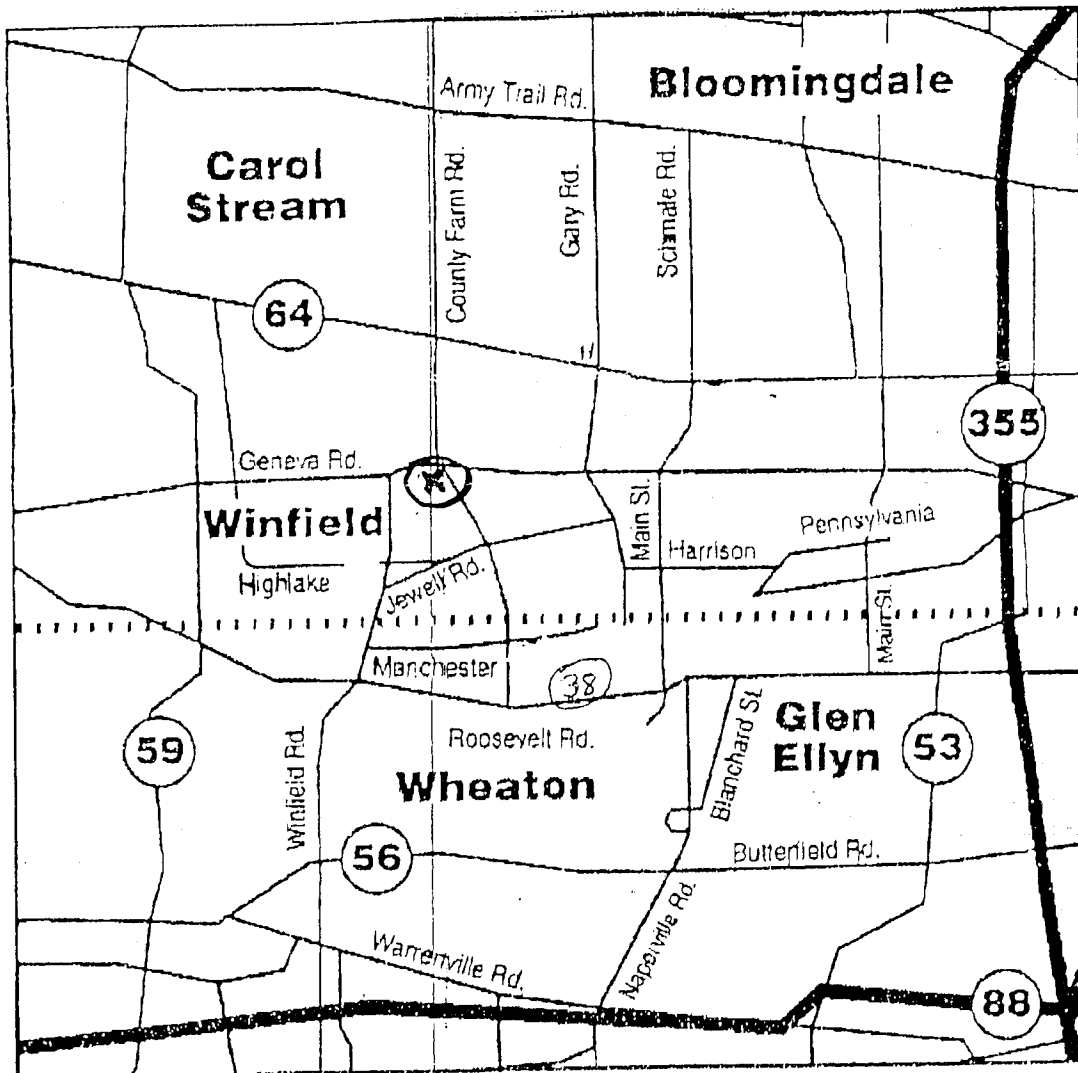
Time : ~~11:30 am to 2:00 pm~~ **1 PM**

Note : Business meeting to include a discussion of club events for the year, club shirts, New and Old Business, and Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting.

Also : We will randomly select an Illini Met members name. If they are present at the membership meeting, they will receive a free lunch!

Mets are always welcome !

If the weather is good, bring your Met and we can do a photo shoot in the parking lot after the meeting !



**ILLINI METS
NOMINATION BALLOT
2003 - 2005 TERM**

FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT: _____

FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT: _____

FOR THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY/TREASURER: _____

Signed _____ Membership # _____

**ILLINI METS
NOMINATION BALLOT
2003 - 2005 TERM**

FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT: _____

FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT: _____

FOR THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY/TREASURER: _____

Signed _____ Membership # _____

ALL elected offices are for the 2003-2005 term. Nominations will be accepted by mail and through the close of our Spring Business meeting. The only qualifications for office are;

- Be a chapter member in good standing for six (6) months.
- Have a willing spirit and desire to serve your chapter.
- Be willing to attend chapter meetings. Our chapter has 3 business meetings held at specified ILLINI MET meets during the year.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT NOMINATION BALLOTS:

1. Two (2) ballots are enclosed; one for each couple member.
2. Ballots may be mailed together or separately.
3. Fill-in your nominations for each office.
4. Sign your ballot.
5. Mail by April 1, 2003 to:
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