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Corrections

By John Teschky

In the last newsletter, I printed the wrong email address for Marge Greenlee in the article about the Johnny Apple Seed Run. Marge's correct email address is margsmet@att.net. I apologize for any frustration this mistake caused.

Also, I left the event date off of the postcard announcing the December 2005 Tech Session. I apologize for any calendaric calamity I may have caused.

President's Notes

It's the beginning of March, the Winter has been relatively mild and soon Spring will be here, bringing a new season of Car Shows, Cruise Nights, and Club events.

On February 11, A planning meeting was held for the 2006 year. It was attended by Gail & Bob Brandys, Emily Darak, Mike Potts, and Marge & Bob Greenlee. We have come up with a rather busy schedule for the 2006 year, with several new trips planned or in the planning stages.

Included are trips to the Volo Museum, The Illinois Railway Museum, and a couple of overnight trips to other parts of Illinois to see Some of our members in those areas. More information will follow as the plans come together. So check the Event page and mark your calendars Its going to be a fun year.

Bob Greenlee, President ,Illini Mets

Illini Mets Meeting Minutes, August 21, 2005

Illini Mets at the Orphan Show August 21, 2005 2:00PM. Members present are: Gary Bosselman, Mike Potts, Laila Potts, Gail Brandys, Emily Darak, John Jacobsen, Nancy Mackey and Alice Latham.

Mike started the meeting with Larry Claypool talking about the Mets.

We were reminded of the British Car Festival, September 11, 2005 at Moraine Valley Community College.

Flyers were passed out to go to the Lake Geneva Classic Car Rally fall run Sept. 25, 2005

Johnny Appleseed run on October 8, 2005 was mentioned.

Gary spoke about the Mets around the clock 2007 International Meet. Handed out itinerary and copy of art work for June28- July 1, 2007. Colors of hats and T shirts were discussed.

He reminded us that the next year 2006 regional event will be in Lincoln Nebraska.

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The Illini Mets very own Gary & Rosey Bosselman, and Lowell & Karen St. Clair, along with the Met Set of Wisconsin's John & Ann Riley, Betty Jacobsen, and Larry & Goldie Hurley are organizing this must-attend event.

Stay tuned to the event's website: <http://www.metsaroundtheclock.com/> for up-to-date information.

Mets Online

Gary Bosselman informs us of the new Metropolitan Owners Club of North America Website:
www.mocna.us

Karen St. Clair notifies us of the new Mitten Mets (Michigan) website:

www.mitten-mets.org



Remarkable Met

As most of you know, long time MOCNA & Illini Mets member, Jim Hall passed away in August of 2005. Jim was a mechanic by trade and had one unique Metropolitan. If anyone is interested or knows of anyone looking to buy a nice MET with 25 add on features, please contact Bea Hall, 175 N. Park Drive, Canton, IL. 61520, Phone: (309) 647-2103 after 6:00 P.M. Pictures & info also available at saintsmetro@msn.com

FOR SALE: 1959 Metropolitan Hardtop. Asking: \$11,000.00. 1500 motor w/ Datsun 2 barrel carb. Color: All White. Add ons: 2 barrel carb, PC Valve, Fender skirts, Back up lamps, Driving lamps, 5 new radial ww's, air conditioner, Speed control, Spot lamps, Electric door locks, Dual side mirror (left remote), Headlamps with automatic dimmer, New rear shocks, Intermittent wipers, Electric windows, CB, Radio, Electric antenna, Alternator, 3rd brake light, Trunk light, Bucket seats, Hazard lights, Warning buzzer, & MET book.



Tentative 2006 Illini Mets Event Schedule

 DENOTES OFFICIAL ILLINI METS EVENT

 **Membership meeting**, March 25, 2006, 1:00PM: Oakfield Family Restaurant, 27 W. 229 Geneva Rd., Winfield, IL

Tech Session, April 29, 2006, 9:00AM to ?, Fiberglass Bob's Car, Greenlee's Garage, 819 E. Bailey Rd., Naperville, IL. Please bring a dish to pass.

South Adventure/Gathering of Members, May 6 and 7, 2006: Mike Potts and Bob Greenlee will be going overnight.

Irish Times Restaurant & Cock Robin Ice Cream afterwards, May 21, 4:30PM to ?: 8869 Burlington Ave., Brookfield, IL. R.S.V.P. Gail Brandys. Phone: 630-325-2083 E-mail: metromom@safety-epa.com

Silver Springs-AACA American Auto Show, May 28, 2006: Sandwich, IL Fair Grounds

Cool Cars Under the Stars, Elmhurst, May 31, 2006, (Wednesday Night) 6:00PM to 9:00PM: Pre 1960 Cars.

West Adventure/Gathering of Members: June 10 and 11, 2006. Mike Potts and Bob Greenlee will be going overnight.

Highland Games All-British Car Show: June 17, 2006 at the Oak Brook Polo Grounds.

BBQ at Blackwell Forest Preserve: June 25, 2006 (Rain date: July 2, 2006), 11:00AM to ?. Bring your own grills, food, drinks and games! A day to relax and have fun!

Cool Cars Under the Stars, Elmhurst, June 28, 2006, (Wednesday Night) 6:00PM to 9:00PM: Mopar/AMC night

Cool Cars Under the Stars, Elmhurst, July 5, 2006, (Wednesday Night) 6:00PM to 9:00PM: Red, White & Blue Night

2006 Metropolitan Owners Club of North America Regional Meet, July 20-23, 2006, Lincoln, Nebraska

Cool Cars Under the Stars, Elmhurst, August 2, 2006, (Wednesday Night) 6:00PM to 9:00PM: Import Night

Illinois Railway Museum Transportation Extravaganza, Bring your Antique Car, Free Admission, August 6, 2006, 9:00AM to 3:00PM.

The Microcar & Minicar Club National Meet, August 11-13, 2006, University Center, 100 S. Main Street, Crystal Lake, IL. For more information, please see the Microcar Club website: www.microcar.org or phone Burt Richmond in Chicago for a registration form (312) 951-0031.


Orphan Car Show and Picnic, Rick Korthhauer's House, August 20, 2006, 10:00AM-4:00PM

 **Windy City Car Show**, Rambler AMC night, Kane County Fair Grounds, September 10, 2006, 8:00AM to 4:00PM

Johnny Apple Seed Run, October 1, 2006: Meet at the Greenlee House, 819 E. Bailey Rd., Naperville, IL, 9:00AM to - ?

Fall Color Tour, October 14, 2006 (Rain Date: October 21, 2006): Drive to Volo, Ill as scenic route to see Old Car Museum. Dinner afterwards. More details to come

Membership Meeting, November 4, 2006: Oak Field Family Restaurant, 27 W. 229 Geneva Rd., Winfield, IL

 **Holiday Party**, December, 2006, 5:00PM to ?, Viking Steak House, 27 W 150 Roosevelt, Winfield, IL. Afterwards back to Liala and Mike Potts house for dessert and games. For guests staying overnight, Hotel will be arranged with more information to come. Every couple brings 1 dessert and a \$10.00 grab bag. More details to come.

Sometimes, your Disinformation Editor/Webmaster, who learned his trade a Lucas Electric, has the most recent event information on the website. Sometimes, that information is even correct!

Be sure to check www.IlliniMets.org for the latest on club events!

2006  REGIONAL MEET
 July 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd in Lincoln, NE

Registration Form

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Telephone _____

Email _____ MOCNA# _____

Number of Adults @ \$75/person _____ \$ _____

T-Shirts (included with registration fee) ___ S ___ M ___ L ___ XL

Baseball caps @ \$10 each \$ _____

** Early Bird Meet and Greet on Thursday ** Total Registration Fees \$ _____

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Friday

Strategic Aerospace Museum
 Mahoney State Park - Dutch Treat Lunch
 Smith Collection Museum
 Tour "D" Lincoln
 (Followed by Show N Shine and Dinner)

Saturday

Car Show 9am - 3pm
 Walking Technical Session
 Vendors on Site
 Midwest Mets Banquet
 Sunday - Private Auto Museum

People's Choice Judging	
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54/55 Hardtop	___ ___
54/55 Convertible	___ ___
56/58 Hardtop	___ ___
56/58 Convertible	___ ___
59/62 Hardtop	___ ___
59/62 Convertible	___ ___
Custom/Modified	___ ___

* A special Midwest Mets gift will be given to the first 30 paid registrants. *

Hotel Information
 Country Inn and Suites
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 Lincoln, NE Met Event rates
 (402) 476-5353 \$89**
 Continental Plus Breakfast included
 Registration deadline for the \$75 fee
 is June 1st. After June 1st the fee is
 increased to \$85 per registrant. After
 July 1st, please register at the event.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: Midwest Mets, c/o Brad Swiggart
 2900 South 70th, Ste. 300 Lincoln, NE 68506

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The Microcar & Minicar Club National Meet – August 11-13, 2006

CRYSTAL LAKE, Illinois, January 16, 2006 – Local microcar collectors, Ken & Sylvia Weger, announced today that they will be hosting the National Microcar & Minicar Meet in downtown Crystal Lake at the University Center, located at 100 S. Main Street.

The National Microcar & Minicar Meet will begin on Friday, August 11th with early registration and check-in. The Wegers are expecting over 100 small displacement cars of under 1000cc called “minicars”. Those under 500cc are considered to be “microcars”. Many marques are expected to fill the lush lawns surrounding the University Center. Vendors will provide food and beverages. Microcar & Minicar owners from all over the US typically come to this rotating annual event that was held in Boston in 2005.

These tiny cars, known as “Bubble Cars”, evolved after WWII as European industries were starting back to work and began producing cars for the masses. They were underpowered and lightweight, sipping fuel to get over 70 miles per gallon. These microcars were capable of transporting families in relative comfort!

Some of the more commonly known marques include:

- Austin Mini (UK)- 1st car to use a transversely mounted 850cc engine
- Citroën 2CV (France)- the Ugly Ducking, 4 doors & 435cc to 602cc engines
- Crosley (USA)- ahead of its time in fuel economy, 717cc engine
- Fiat 500 (Italy)- *Cinquecento* many still in use today, 60 years after production began
- Isetta (Italy & Germany)- one front mounted door that had room for two people; 300cc
- Messerschmitt (Germany)- tandem seating and airplane-type opening canopy for entry
- Subaru 360 (Japan)- yes, the baby of the Subaru family – 2 cylinder 360cc engine
- Velorex (Czech)- lightweight steel tube frame covered with vinyl fabric; 200cc engine

These microcars and many more will be on display at the Meet. Advance-Registration is \$16.00, which includes Dash Plaque. Registration at the Meet is \$18.00. Saturday Awards Banquet will be a locally prepared Barbeque. The Wegers will open their ‘Barn’ for out-of-town visitors to see their collection of 70 + microcars, minicars, scale models and a few vintage airplanes.

There is abundant parking for trailers. Three local hotels have attractive rates to accommodate overnight guests. There are 10 restaurants within walking distance from the University Center. For more information, please see the Microcar Club website: www.microcar.org or phone Burt Richmond in Chicago for a registration form (312) 951-0031.

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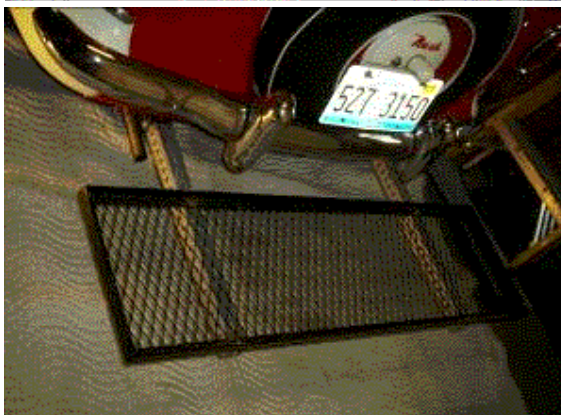
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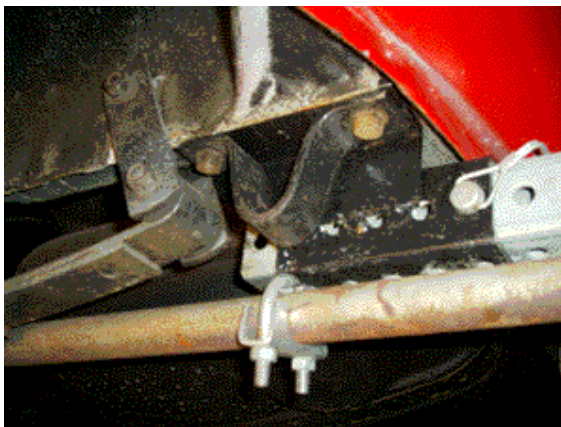


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- 6.Set the carrier platform in place and bolt down.
- 7.Make sure that the carrier tubes are equal distance apart, making it easier to slide in and out.
- 8.Tighten all bolts and nuts.
- 9.If your tail pipe hits, reinstall the provided tail pipe hook.
- 10.You're ready to go!



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Illini Mets Polo Shirts

Karen St. Clair writes:

Anyone wanting an Illini Mets polo shirt can deal directly with Signature Clothing in Davenport, Iowa

Signature Clothing
1634 W. Locust St.
Davenport, Iowa
(563) 323

Style # 447

Sizes: M - 2XL

Thanks,

Karen

March Membership Meeting!

March 25, 2006, 1:00PM:
Oakfield Family Restau-
rant, 27 W. 229 Geneva
Rd., Winfield, IL