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On The Mark

Thanksgiving, what a great holiday. Sitting around eating, drinking, I love it. The only problem is that the Monday after Turkey Day should be considered a National Recuperation holiday. I know I needed it. After 9/11 however, I hope we are more appreciative of what we have. I believe that this holiday was much more meaningful for our country as we certainly don't have to look very far to see all that we have to be thankful for. I have a beautiful and understanding wife, a terrific family, and wonderful friends. I hope everybody over this Thanksgiving holiday was able to spend time with family and friends, enjoy each other's company and give thanks for our blessings. I did.

Speaking of appreciative, this month completes my second year as your President. How time flies! As always, I am very thankful for all the people that jumped in to help putting together events. Thanks to: Doug Foyle for hosting the Tune Up Clinic, Jim Shaw and Ed Major for their work with our weekend at Import Carlisle, Wil and Linda Schweitzer's Run to New Philadelphia, Bud Osborne's Washington Tour Event, Fred Williams, Jim Antis, and others for their work in making sure the WPTA had a presence at The Roadster Factory's Summer Party, Ed and Tina Woods' work for our most successful British Car Day, Richard Dick's Anniversary Run to Laurel Caverns, Email run by Jim Underwood, Donald Harkus' Farm Aroma Run, Ed and Harvey Woods for Dogs with the Fogs, and finally Mark and Meghan Twist and Dave and Kit Jerman's Fall Leaf Tour. Thanks to all.

Also, many thanks to everyone that helped out with the newsletter this year. Putting together the "Dzus Dnus", the last Monday of every month, is usually the best part of my month. Thanks to everyone that contributed especially Bruce Stutzman for his history of "Triumphs in Competitions", a great history lesson. Also, thanks to Mort Binstock and Tom Draper for their articles this past year. As usual we are always interested in new material. If you have an interesting story about your car or Triumphs in general; send it to me and we'll get it published in the newsletter.

This year I give the biggest thank you to everyone that came out in his or her car to support this year's events. I'm hoping that we can build up our participation numbers next year. I would like to see some of our long time members out in their cars next year and rediscover the fun of blasting down the road with the top down. Get those cars out of the garage and enjoy.

Recapping last month, we held our last meeting of 2001 at the 911 Air Wing Club. We held elections for several officers during the meeting. The vacancies were created by Dave Jerman retiring as our Vice President. Many thanks to Dave Jerman for his years of serving the WPTA as Vice President. Nominated to replace Dave was Gary Fredo who was our current Secretary. Gary vacated the Recording Secretary position to accept the Vice President's nomination and Dexter Stoltz was nominated for the Recording Secretary's position. No other nomination where

made during the meeting and both Gary and Dexter were elected. I am looking forward to working with our Executive Committee this coming year to make the WPTA better than ever. Just so everyone knows the current Executive Committee consists of Mark Phillips, President, Gary Fredo, Vice President, Bruce Stutzman Treasurer, Dexter Stoltz Recording Secretary and Ed Woods Membership Chairperson. Please feel free to contact me or any of the officers with your comments and concerns about the WPTA. It is going to be a great year.

The month of December is pretty slow for the club. The only thing that we have scheduled is our annual "no meeting, meeting". This is our annual trek to a local establishment and waste away the afternoon while the women do their Christmas shopping. This year our "no meeting, meeting", is scheduled for December 8th at the Quaker Steak and Lube at the Point in Robinson. Plan to be there around 1:30. Just come out and socialize with other members. Hope to see you there.

Coming up next month is historically one of our best-attended events of the year, our Holiday Party. Firstly, I mis-spoke last month in our newsletter without consulting the event's hostess. The date for the Holiday Party is Saturday January 19th not the 20th. See what happens when you pretend you're paying attention when your wife is speaking to you. I hope this does not cause anybody problems. This year's event will be held at Wright's Seafood Inn in Carnegie. A great evening is planned. See the flyer inside and send in your RSVP ASAP, we will be limited to 50 couples.

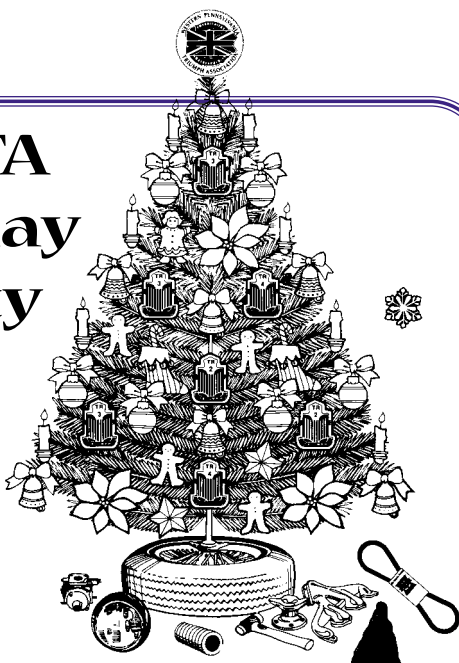
Something new this year at the Holiday Party, Sherry is planning a holiday grab bag. If you wish to participate bring a wrapped Triumph related item to the party. I don't have all the details on how this is going to work but Sherry will be writing out the rules and it'll be in January's Newsletter. For right now think about a Triumph item you would like to get rid of. That's not the right word. How about, share, with your WPTA friends. Careful guys, I know Sherry would like to wrap up most of my garage and give it away. This is something different and it should be fun.

Finally, in this holiday season Sherry and I, along with your WPTA officers are looking forward to another great year, and to all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. See you soon.

Due to increasing products liability litigation, American Beer Brewers suggest the following warning label on beer:

WARNING: The consumption of Alcohol may lead you to think people are laughing WITH you

WPTA Holiday Party



Come join us for **WPTA Annual Holiday Party**

WHO: All of our Triumph Friends

WHAT: Annual Christmas Party

WHERE: Wright's Seafood Inn

WHEN: January 19th, 2001 7:00 to ???

Please join us for a night filled with fun and festivities.

Bring with you a Triumph / British Grab Bag.

That can include a valuable part, or not so valuable, or any British Memorabilia. We will draw numbers for those who want to be part of the Grab Bag.

Cost per person is \$25. Please note it will be a cash bar.

RSVP's need to be in by January 10th. Please fill out the form below and send back to :

Sherry Phillips

647 Royce Ave.

Pittsburgh, PA 15243

Directions to Wright's:

From Downtown - Go thru Fort Pitt Tunnels onto Parkway West. Take Exit 3 Carnegie / Heidelberg. Turn left onto Rt. 50 W. Go 1.3 miles and turn left at Wright's Seafood Lobster Sign.

From Airport - Take Parkway East towards Pittsburgh to 79 S. Take Exit 55 Heidelberg / Kirwin Hts., make left on to 50 E. Go 1.1 miles and make right at Lobster Sign.

Name _____

Attending _____ x \$25 per person = _____

Choice of:

Boston Scrod with Buttered Bread Crumbs _____

Chicken Marsala with Mushroom Wine Sauce _____

Roasted Rosemary Roast Beef with au jus _____

Dinner includes:

Soup Du jour

Tossed Green Salad with House Dressing

Rice Pilaf

Grilled Vegetable Medley

Dessert

What your car says about you:

Acura Integra - I have always wanted to own the Buick of sports car.

Acura RSX - (See Acura Integra)

Acura Legend - I'm too bland for German cars.

Acura NSX - I am impotent.

Acura RL - I am not a very smart.

Acura TL - I am boring and cheap.

Audi 90 - I enjoy putting out engine fires.

BMW 3-Series - I am a speed demon.

BMW 5-Series - I couldn't afford the Mercedes-Benz E-class.

BMW 7-Series - I am young & rich.

Buick Park Avenue - I am older than 34 of the 50 states.

Cadillac Eldorado - I am a very good Mary Kay salesman.

Cadillac Seville - I am a pimp.

Chevrolet Camaro - I enjoy beating the hell out of people.

Chevrolet Chevette - I like seeing people's reactions when I tell them I have a 'Vette.

Chevrolet Corvette - I'm in a mid-life crisis.

Chevrolet Cavalier - Absolute LEGEND!

Chrysler Cordoba - I dig the rich Corinthian leather.

Datsun 280Z - I have a kilo of cocaine in my wheel well.

Dodge Dart - I teach third grade special education and I voted for Eisenhower.

Dodge Daytona - I delivered pizza for four years to get this car.

Ferrari Testarossa - I am known to prematurely ejaculate.

Ford Escort - I am a college drop out.

Ford Explorer - I will not be caught dead in a mini van.

Ford Fairmont - (See Dodge Dart)

Ford Mustang - I slow down to 85 in school zones.

Ford Crown Victoria - I enjoy having people slow to 55 mph and change lanes when I pull up behind them.

Geo Storm - I will start the 11th grade in the fall.

Geo Tracker - I will start the 12th grade in the fall.

Honda del Sol - I have always said, half a convertible is better than no convertible at all.

Honda Civic - I have just graduated and have no credit.

Honda Accord - I lack any originality and am basically a lemming.

Infiniti Q45 - I am a physician with 17 malpractice suits pending.

Isuzu Impulse - I do not give a damn about J.D. Power or his reports.

Jaguar XJ6 - I am so rich I will pay 60K for a car that is in the shop 280 days per year.

Kia Sephia - I learned nothing from the failure of Daihatsu Corp.

Land Rover - I am a prolific reader.

Lamborghini Countach - I have only one testicle.

Lincoln Town Car - I live for bingo and covered dish suppers.

Lexus ES 300 - I have some money, but am frugal.

Lexus IS 300 - I am a loser.

Mercury Grand Marquis - (See Lincoln Town Car)

Mercedes-Benz C-class - I am extremely ambitious.

Mercedes-Benz E-class - I am loaded with money. Don't talk stocks to me.

Mercedes-Benz S-class - I am extremely wealthy.

Mercedes-Benz 500SL - I will beat you up if you ask me for an autograph.

Mercedes-Benz 560SEL - I have a daughter named Bitsy and a son named Cole.

Mazda Miata - I do not fear being decapitated by an eighteen-wheeler.

MGB - I am dating a mechanic.

Mitsubishi Diamante - I don't know what it means either.

Nissan 300ZX - I have yet to complete my divorce proceedings.

Nissan Altima - I am poor, but want to look rich.

Nissan Maxima - I am a vulgar person.

Oldsmobile Cutlass - I just stole this car and I'm going to make a fortune off the parts.

Plymouth Neon - I sincerely enjoy doing the Macarena.

Pontiac Trans AM - I have a switchblade in my sock.

Porsche 911 Turbo - I have a very small weiner.

Porsche 944 - I am dating big haired women that otherwise would be inaccessible to me.

Rolls Royce Silver Shadow - I think Pat Buchanan is a tad bit too liberal.

Saturn SC2 - (See Honda Civic)

Subaru Legacy - I have always wanted a Japanese car even more inferior than the Isuzu.

Toyota Camry - I am still in the closet.

Volkswagen Beetle - I still watch Partridge Family reruns.

Volkswagen Cabriolet - I am out of the closet.

Volkswagen Jetta - I am a yuppie.

Volkswagen Microbus - I am high right now.

Volkswagen Passat - Male: I am not straight. Female: I want to start a family right now.

Volvo Wagon - I am frightened of my wife.



I'm lost too, should we call Fred for directions?

~WPTA~ Calendar of Events

- Dec 8** **No Meeting Meeting "Just Meet"**
Quaker Steak and Lube
"The Point" at Robinson
Around 1:30 pm
- Dec 17** **Newsletter Meeting,**
5pm-Typecraft/6pm-Michael's Pizza Bar
- Jan 19** **Holiday Party at Wright's Seafood Inn**
Sherry Phillips 412-561-5972
- Jan 28** **Newsletter Meeting,**
5pm-Typecraft/6pm-Michael's Pizza Bar
- ~ Of Other Interest ~**
- June 14-16** **Vintage Races, Mid Ohio**
Celebrating 50 Years of "Triumph"
- Sept ??-??** **Vintage Races, Watkins Glen**



A sampling of the fine TR's from this years British Car Day



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