The Minnesota MG Group Gazette

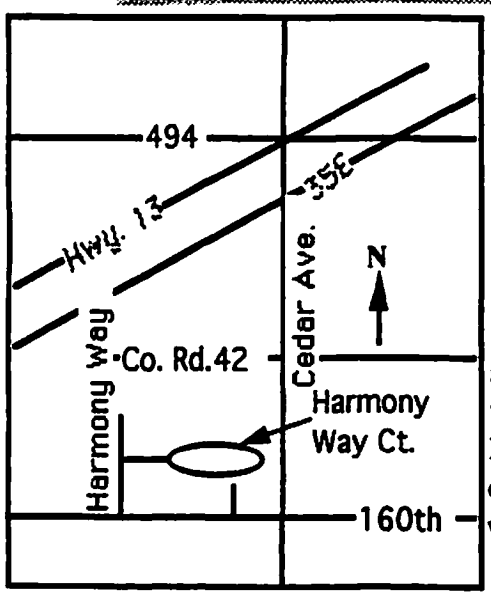
The Official Monthly Newsletter of the Minnesota MG Group

February 1993

Tech Session and Lunch

February 20th, 1993 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Al & Sharon Kelsey's
15942 Harmony Way Court
Apple Valley, MN
891-3452

Everything you've wanted to know about an MG but were afraid to ask (or take apart on your own). As many of you know, the Kelsey's had an accident with their 70 MGB last year and have used the experience as an opportunity to do more major restoration on their car. It has been repainted and is torn down almost completely but for the engine and wheels. Here is a once in a lifetime (or so the Kelsey's hope) opportunity to see and be involved with such frightening restoration activities as replacing the wind screen glass and reinstalling the windscreen, mounting the front and rear bumpers, re-installing the vent windows and side window glass, installing the chrome trim and more. The Kelsey's will provide lunch. Come and help, or just come to watch, but come and share in the learning and the fun. Be advised, the garage where we will work is heated, but the floor can be cold, so wear warm shoes.



Directions: South on Cedar Ave. to 160th. West (Right) on 160th. to Harmony Way. Turn right onto Harmony Way. (This is the second right off 160th.) Turn right onto Harmony Way Court. (The first right off Harmony Way.) Kelsey's is the only house on the cul-de-sac with an attached 3 car garage.

Dead-of-Winter Bowling Party Sat. Feb. 20th

Mike Funck

Top Ten Reasons to Attend the MMGG Dead-of-Winter Bowling Party:

10. You can't go ice fishing because the hole you chopped is too small for your boat.

9. You can't play golf because you ran out of those black, made-for Minnesota winter golf balls.

8. You can't drive your MG because you forgot to put on snow tires.

7. It's a make up event for anyone who missed celebrating Valentines Day.

6. You can end up in the gutter and no one will mind.

5. The balls are big and black so you can find 'em in the snow.

4. You need to work off the 10 pounds you gained from German beer and Wienerschnitzel last month.

3. Every MG owner needs spares of some kind.

2. It's your only chance to "drive the lanes" in February.

And the number one reason to attend the Minnesota MG Group Dead-of-Winter Bowling Party...

1 .It's a great excuse to get together with your friends and fellow MG lovers.

Place: Lyn-Del Lanes, 9336 Lyndale Avenue South, Bloomington. Time: 6:00 P.M..
R.S.V.P. Mike Funck at 934-4950. It is <u>very important</u> that you call if you plan to attend, as we must make lane reservations with the bowling alley.

Hello Minnesota MG Group members. Our 1993 calendar as follows is tentatively planned. We need your help and support in organizing and hosting these events to made them successful. I invite and encourage all of you to get involved during 1993. **GET MORE OUT OF THE CLUB BY BEING INVOLVED, VOLUNTEER TO HOST AN EVENT.** Contact Roger Karnopp at 454-1379, if you're interested in hosting a 1993 MMGG event.

DATE: February 20th.
EVENT: Tech Session & Business Meeting
HOST: Al & Sharon Kelsey

DATE: February 20th.
EVENT: "Dead- of-Winter" Bowling Party
HOST: Mike Funck & Pam Satre

DATE: March 21st.
EVENT: Kick- Off Brunch
HOST: Roger & Pat Karnopp

DATE: APRIL 24th.
EVENT: Spring Tech Session
HOST: John & Cindy Eaton

DATE: MAY 22nd.
EVENT: British Car Picnic
HOST: !! HOST NEEDED !!

DATE: JUNE 19th.
EVENT: Drive & Dinner
HOST: Kevin & Carol Mahoney

DATE: July 18th.
EVENT: Sauk Rapids Picnic
HOST: Doug & Mary Madson

Aug. 15 Flying Cloud Airport Museum Tour !! HOST NEEDED !!

Sept. 11 Wheels & Wings !! HOST NEEDED !!

Oct. 9 Fall Colors Tour !! HOST NEEDED !!

Jan. 15 Holiday Party !!HOST NEEDED !!

The annual Minnesota MG Group Kick-off Brunch is scheduled for March 21, 11:00 AM at Tobys on The Lake. See you there!!

Let me know what you think of the name of the newsletter. It's not official , I'm just trying out a few of the suggestions I've gotten from our members.

Around the Bend

(Some up-coming events from various car clubs.)

Feb. 5th - ALFA-The SDN (Stella Del Nord) has been invited to join COM and the Minnesota SAAB Club for the 3rd Annual Chili Challenge. Start fine tuning your favorite recipe and go for it. For details call George Haun at (612) 738-7124.

Feb. 20th - MMGG- Tech. Session- The Kelsey's host a Tech. Session, lunch, and business meeting at their home. (See details on front page). After the Tech session, join us for the first annual "Dead-of-Winter Bowling Party"! It's sure to be a blast. Even if you don't bowl come and share the fun. See details on front page.

March 21st - MMGG - Kick Off Brunch- Whether you are a current member of the MMGG, or just interested in MG's, please join us for a few hours of excellent food and a chance to learn what the Minnesota MG Group is all about. More details to follow in next months newsletter.

March 27th - MT - The Minnesota Triumphs invite all Minnesota car clubs to join them at their Inter-Marque "Spring Kick-Off" at the Hilton Metrodome, featuring Star Tribune columnist Paul Brand. Cocktails begin at 5 PM. dinner at 7 PM. $20 fee includes dinner. Seating is limited to 300. Send registration fee to Minnesota Triumphs, c/o Greg Thompson, 1459 Grosspoint Ave. North, Oakdale MN 55128.

Just a reminder, all MMGG events are shown in bold type, please call before attending any event , as scheduling conflicts sometimes do occur.

Regalia

MMGG Grille Badges - Let others know you belong to the BEST car club around. Badges may be purchased at club events for $9, or mail order from Roger Karnopp for $11. Send check to Roger at 1295 Deerwood Dr., Eagan MN 55122.

Club Logo Patches - Embroidered patches with the MMGG logo. Contact Color Weave, 8020 University Ave. Fridley (612) 784-0708.

Shirts, Caps, Cups & Coasters- Golf shirts in a choice of red, white or blue are $13. Blue baseball style caps are $6. Both have embroidered MMGG logo. Coffee cups and coasters with grille badge symbols are $5. All are available at club events.

MG Marketplace

Ads are free to members of the MMGG and will run in three newsletters. If you'd like to submit an ad, please mail, call or fax the editor. Ad rates for non -members is $5 for three months. All phone numbers are area code 612 unless otherwise noted.

For Sale - 74 MGBGT, wire wheel, chrome bumper car. 74-1/2 MGBGT, Limited Edition wheels, overdrive and more. 74 MGB Roadster wire wheels low mileage car. 60 MGA good solid "basket case". Make offer on one or all must sell one or two, need room. Verl Wilkins 935-1608.(fm)

For Sale - Rear body clip for 1962-80 MGB. Good shape. Brian Buchmayer 770-9614.(fma)

For Sale - Midget dashboard, like new. $50. Jim Anderson (507)234-6691.(fm)

For Sale - 1967 MGBGT. Wire wheels, newer trans with overdrive, some rust, won't start. $1200 OBO. Scott Hervey 604 Franklin, Decorah, IA 52101 (319) 382-4671(fm)

For Sale - 1972 MGBGT. 60,000 miles. Orange with blue int. Wire wheels, some minor rust. $1600 OBO. Wayne Detmer 779-6309.(fm)

For Sale - 1980 MGB. Brown with tan int. 16M original miles. "Immaculate" cond. Asking $6000. Tom Good (H) 455-0998 (W) 778-7583(fm)

For Sale - Misc. MGBGT Parts. Body, steering, interior, trim, glass. Will sell all or part. Ken Roy 770-2757 evening, 733-4024 daytime.(fm)

For Sale - 1972 Midget. "Mustard" yellow, black interior. Chrome bumper, Rostyle wheels. 50M miles, very minor rust. Newer clutch, starter, and tires, runs great uses no oil $3500 OBO. Ron Julias Rochester, MN (507) 282-3412 after 8PM(fma)

Wanted - Right side headlight assembly for '58 MGA 1500. Brian Knippel, Faribault, MN (507) 334-3294.(fm)

Wanted - MGB Roadster with wire wheels & chrome bumpers in "decent" condition. Don Schlais 473-2028.(fm)

Wanted - 60's MGB for restoration. John Wold 924 5th Ave. So., Stillwater, MN 55082. 439-6714(fma)

Wanted - Wire wheel set-up for Midget. 4-5 good wheels, front hubs, rear axles, knock-offs, etc. Reasonable. Jim Anderson. (507) 234-6691(fma)

Holiday Party

The 40 members who attended the Holiday Party at a North Minneapolis German restaurant last month, had a good time. There was good food, great German beer, and some fun conversation. Several of the "lucky ones" went home with some great door prizes, while I, once again, went home empty handed but I still had a good time. I'm sure all members join me in thanking Hans & Vaughn Koenig for a nice evening. Hope to see all of you again next year.

Dave Stovall

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Minnesota MG Group 1992 Treasurer's Report 1-1-90 Through 12-31-92.

Income	1990	1991	1992
Assoc. Memberships	$66.00	$60.00	$102.00
Badge Sales	$81.00	$304.00	$36.00
Embroidered Sales	$211.00	$0.00	$47.00
Full Memberships	$1,820.00	$1,640.00	$1,660.00
Newsletter Ads	$40.00	$74.00	$13.00
Total Income	$2,268.00	$2,118.00	$1,858.00
Expenses			
Advertising	$136.05	$175.20	$96.06
Badges	$780.00	$6.00	$0.00
Bank Service Charge	$19.40	$56.13	$62.39
Ceramic Costs	$0.00	$0.00	$156.00
Check Printing Fee	$9.00	$0.00	$0.00
Christmas Party	$0.00	$231.34	$125.00
Club Entertainment	$0.00	$0.00	$140.00
Club Improvements	$0.00	$137.82	$0.00
Embroidery Costs	$921.64	$0.00	$0.00
Food at Meetings	$81.00	$182.46	$273.60
General Office Expense	$0.00	$0.00	$58.22
Meeting Expense	$0.00	$0.00	$155.00
Membership Packet	$0.00	$32.95	$0.00
Printing Expense	$195.00	$208.35	$348.17
Prizes	$35.00	$98.86	$0.00
Expenses - Other	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	$2,412.09	$1,616.11	$1,916.78
TOTAL INCOME & EXPENSE	-$144.09	501.89	-$58.78

Minutes from January Meeting:

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Attending were Roger Karnopp, Dave Stovall, Al & Sharon Kelsey, Gordy Matson, Kevin & Carol Mahoney, And Mike Funck & Pam Satre.

Business Items:
Holiday Party - Hans Koenig was unable to attend the meeting to discuss the details of the Holiday Party.

Bowling Party - Mike Funck volunteered to host the first annual "Dead -of Winter Bowling Party". Details to be announced in the next newsletter.

Discussion of the details for the Kick -Off Brunch.

New Member packet discussion led by Dave Stovall. He will have something put together by the next business meeting.

The British Car Councel has changed their name to the World Car Counsel. They are planning the annual British Car Picnic on May 22, 1993.

Both the Austin Healy Club and the Triumph Club have expressed interest in co-hosting an event with the MMGG in 1993.

Discussion on the upcoming events for 1993. Several members are need to host events.

Meeting adjourned 9:10 pm

MG CLUBS AND REGISTRIES

MG T Series and earlier (1925-1955)
New England MG "T" Register
Drawer 220 Oneonta, NY 13920

MGA Series and Magnettes ZA/ZB & III/IV (1956-1962)
North American MGA Register
2455 Glenhill Drive Indianapolis IN 46240

MGB Series - Midgets - 1100/1300 Sedans (1962-1980):
North American MGB Register
P.O. Box MGB Akin, IL 62805

American MGB Association
P.O. Box 11401 Chicago, IL 60611

MGC Series (1968-1970)
American MGC Register
34 Park Avenue Asheville, NC 28803-2056

The "HOME" Organizations:
The MG Car Club Ltd. (Founded in 1930)
P.O. Box 251
Abingdon Oxfordshire, OX14 2FA England

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2-4 Station Road Swavesey
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The Prince of Darkness

Dave Stovall

All of our British sports cars are fitted with Lucas electrical equipment; indeed, it was William Richard Morris, later Lord Nuffield, who gave Joseph Lucas Ltd., their first really large orders for motorcar electrical equipment in the early twenties. But just who was Joseph Lucas, the man who founded what is now an international multi-million pound corporation? Where and when was he born, and how did his life unfold? After some research, I found this article written by Ron Knipper.

Joseph was born on April 1st. (Does it surprise you?) 1834, in Birmingham England, the city with which he and his products were always to remain associated. His formative years were influenced by the teaching and ministry of George Dawson, who was to have such a profound effect on the development Birmingham, that an American observer thought it "the best managed city in the world." Dawson ran the Church of the Saviour, and it's associated school, there on Sundays, young Lucas received his above average education which was to stand him in good stead later in life when he entered the business world.

At 14, Joseph was apprenticed to H&GR Elkington Silversmiths, who had pioneered the process of electroplating, but on completing his apprenticeship, instead of staying with Elkington, he chose to start his own small business selling buckets, shovels, and the newly discovered paraffin (i.e. kerosene). The city of Birmingham had a long tradition of small metalworking businesses. In the atmosphere of an expanding industrial revolution, it was easy for someone in Birmingham to start up his own business.

The house on Carver Street had been poorly built and soon had turned to slums. Joseph, and his wife Emily, whom he married in 1854, like many in their day, sought solace in drink until one day the realization that he had three children to support dawned upon him and he joined the local Temperance Society, a movement he was to support devotedly for the rest of his life.

Joseph began looking for alternative premises from which he could carry on his small business and, in 1871, he moved to 209 Great King Street. It was his preccupation with selling paraffin which led Joseph into what was to be the most important aspect of his business for the rest of his life - the manufacture and sale of lamps.

The discovery of petroleum and paraffin in 1859 had given an enormous boost to the lamp manufacturing trade, and it wasn't long before Joseph came upon a product which he admired and wanted to sell - the Tom Bowling Ship's Lamp. Sale of the lamps soon turned to a desire to manufacture them himself, and he took on five men to help him set up his first small factory on Great King Street. In 1875, that factory became known as the Tom Bowling Lamp Works, and all Lucas' products began to be stamped with the initials, "T.B.L.W."

The next major development which ensured rapid growth of the Lucas business was the invention of the bicycle; indeed the development of the bicycle and the life of Joseph Lucas proceeded side by side. **Continued on page 6**

Prince Cont.

In 1879, Lawson's Bicyclette had incorporated the novel features of two wheels of the same diameter and a chain drive. This "safety" principal was perfected in 1885 in the Rover bicycle, and 3 years later, John Boyd Dunlop's pneumatic tire at last made cycling an acceptable popular pastime amongst all members of the public. Joseph Lucas was just looking for new products when the bicycling boom began, and of course it was natural for him to begin designing and selling lamps for bicycles.

In 1878, Joseph's first cycle lamp, the famous "King of the Road" appeared. Joseph and his son Harry always stressed the use of quality materials and manufacturing processes in their products (indeed, Louisa Lucas, Harry's sister, was put in charge of quality control, and supervision of female employees). Much of the next 20 years was often taken up with legal action against rival manufacturers in defense of Lucas patents.

Because Joseph's wife did not join him in the renunciation of alcohol, Joseph travelled Britain promoting and selling his products, so he could avoid the awkward circumstances at home. Son Harry was left to run the expanding factory, and made quite a good job of it, at times even lecturing his father by letter concerning differences in policy.

In September 1882, in recognition of the expansion and the significant part Harry was playing in it, the partnership of Joseph Lucas & Sons was formed. At this time, the beginnings of an expert business began to emerge, with the Pope Company in the U.S. stating they could sell Lucas lamps as cheaply as they could make lamps themselves.

The partnership of Joseph Lucas & Son had proven so successful that in 1897 a new company, Joseph Lucas Ltd. was formed. Acetylene was just becoming accepted for use in lamps, the Badge Brass manufacturing Company of Kenosha, Wisconsin, having been the manufacturers of the first practical acetylene bicycle lamp. Lucas soon began manufacturing acetylene lamps also. Joseph Lucas visited the U.S. several times during his life, and after severe customs duties were introduced in the U.S. in 1896, he arranged with the New Departure Bell Company, of Bristol Connecticut , to manufacture Lucas bicycle bells under license.

In 1900, Joseph's second wife died, and the following year he married Mary Owen. At the company's annual meeting, he looked forward to the coming of the motor car boon and the forecast that Lucas' success in supplying bicycle accessories would be repeated as motorcar production increased.

Immediately after the meeting he left with his new wife for a combined holiday and business trip to the Mediterranean. After visiting Egypt, they landed at Naples just before Christmas 1902, but sadly by December 27 Th., Joseph, the old "King of the Road" himself had died of typhoid fever contracted when, refusing all local wines in accordance with his temperance principles, he had imbibed the local water instead. The legend goes that the Lucases, never ones to waste money unnecessarily, had Joseph's body brought back to the U.K. in a Joseph Lucas Ltd. packing crate which contained business samples of "King of the Road" and "Silver King" lamps for the trip! At his funeral service on January 14th 1903, amongst the hymns sung were "Lead Kindly Light" and "No Shadows Beyond".

Minnesota MG Massacree

Jerry Sood

You can hum along Alice's Restaurant if you wish

Well fellow MG fans, it is that time of year again. We are all wiping the dust off, and the oil spot out from under our favorite toys. Upon the occasion of falling prey to this rite of spring, the memory of that brisk spring day (it was early March) when after much soul searching and deliberation, it was decided that I would get "The Little White Car" painted.

It didn't take too long to remove every bit of chrome and label every wire and part as to where it was supposed to go. The idea here was to be able to put everything back just the way it was. In fact, this was the only part I did right. With the windshield off, and the interior out, we were ready. Now, I could have done the logical thing here and borrowed a trailer and dropped it off at the body shop, but noooo, I said "Hey, I'll drive it down there."

My brother-in-law, A.K.A. John Eaton, of local MG fame, (who I might add is the most helpful and knowledgeable British car lunatic I have ever met), and I set out on a balmy(40 degrees) Sunday afternoon for the drive south to the body shop. I put the drivers seat back into the car complete with seat belt, as I didn't want to get in trouble for not wearing one. I donned my snow mobile suit, boots, wool hat, ski gloves, and sun glasses, after all, the sun was out and it was a roadster. John was going to follow me down to give me a lift home and just as we were backing out of the driveway, John decides he'll throw the license plate in his car. "Just in case."

With the wind in my hair, (through my hat) the frost building on my nose, and unable to breathe because of the cold, we headed south. I was amazed how responsive and quick the car was without the windscreen, top, interior, all lights and bumpers and everything else I could get off the car. The car was really light, what a gas...

This is the part where you can start humming)

Being the conscientious driver that I am, I was using hand signal to let the motoring public know of my intentions. As I slowed for a stop sign, I thought it odd when I noticed that a police car was perched in the driveway of a "Stop-an-Rob" (convenience store) as if waiting for someone. Little did I know this was the beginning of "The Great Minnesota MG Massacree", which can be sung to the tune of Alice's Restaurant, with three part harmony and full orchestral arrangement.

The next thing I know, there's horns a honking, lights a flashing and an angry finger motioning me and John, member John? He was minding his own business following

me to insure no one would wrinkle the back of my favorite toy. Well to my amazement, there was a po-leese car dierectly behind me with lights a flashin" and horns a honkin'. Behind John was a Mazda pickup with one of Lakeville's finest behind the wheel, A Mazda pickup? We were ambushed!

Time to hum the chorus again.

I pulled up about a half a block from the railroad tracks. No sooner did I stop the "Little White Car," when a third squad arrived. Being the biggest thing to happen in Lakeville in 30 years, and everybody wantin' to get into the newspaper story about it. And you can get anything you want at Johnny E's MG Shop.

The police officer walked up to this naked little car and said to me "Kid, I wanna see your license and registration. I said "But ossifer, I was just taking it down to get it painted. I was wearing my seat belt, and besides, I was using hand signals." The officer stopped me right there and said "Kid...Get outta the car. Needless to say John was not too keen on the idea of being stopped, and by a Mazda pickup at that. John being the polite man that he is, was kind enough to bring the collector plate over to where I was digging through the glove box, in full glory with wool hat, snow mobile boots, hot fingers, and stop sign red snow mobile suit. I looked like a Polacked Santa. John said something like "Here Jer, ya might need this." As he handed me the plate.

Now you might think with three cops standing around, that a guy with a collector plate, and a Nanook of the north, wouldn't be much of a threat. You've got to realize that this was a pretty patriotic picture here with my red snowmobile suit, the white car, and the boys in blue, standing right next to me looking at John. But no sooner had John handed me the plate when the officer said "...Son...go back over to your Vee-hickle". I think I heard John mumble something derogatory about the officers mother as he walked back to the "Chevy." And then he probably said something to the effect of " Ain't ya got nothin' better to do, than pick on poor little British cars?"

Sure, go ahead, run the chorus one more time.

I had insurance slips in the glove box for every year except the particular year we were currently in. Now I mentioned that " Honest, I know I've got insurance for this baby." But the officer proceeded to fill out the ticket. Some thing about " No turn signals, no visible license plate, no license plate light, no brake lights, no head lights, no bumpers, no windshield wipers..." and so on. Not once did he mention anything about the lack of a windshield, or the fact that I was wearing my seat belt. Besides, I always thought you needed a windshield for wipers to be much good. Needless to say, it took him quite a while to fill out the ticket. I think he wrote on both sides and even in the margin to get it all on one. I got to stand around and be looked at by the hordes of Sunday drivers, who may have thought it odd that it took so many cops to arrest one little British car. After what seemed like hours, I was presented with what had to be the longest, most completely filled out ticket in the history of law enforcement. You'd have thought it was written by James Mitchner.

As he handed me the ticket , Lakeville's finest said " Kid. next time get it towed. If you really do have insurance on this..." There was a noticeable pause as he looked at my little naked MG. "Bring proof to City Hall tomorrow and I'll tear up the ticket." I said "No problem, I'll be there." And just before he walked away he said "Kid...be careful." Then the whole Lakeville Police Department drove off.

John mentioned something about how he couldn't believe what had just happened, and the damned Mazda pickup truck really got his goat.

And you can get anything you want at Johnny E's MG Shop.

So being the hardened criminal that I am, I sped all the rest of the way to Charlies. We then went over to Suzie's and had a Sunday dinner that couldn't be beat. The next day, we had to go to court. Well, actually I had to go to work. Sue went to City Hall with unquestionable proof of insurance and two little kids. And once again our legal system came through with flying colors. John had taken two 3 by 5 color glossy photographs with circles and arrows and a paragraph on the back describing what each one was. Actually he just took two pictures of me getting arrested. Just for fun, go through the chorus one last time. In June. when it was time to bring a beautifully painted MG home, did I have it towed? Hell no! Thus is a British car we're talking about. I ran it close to a hundred, hard to tell, my optimistic speedometer was bouncing between 100 and 110. What a rush. And you can get anything you want at Johnny E's MG Shop.

Don't forget, next month is the Kick - Off Brunch at Toby's on the Lake! More details to follow in the next newsletter. Hope to see you there!

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DETAILS INSIDE
EARLY MEMBER RENEWAL BONUS
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Inter-Marque Spring Kick-off

Sponsored by Minnesota Triumphs

Featuring:

Star Tribune columnist and host of KSTP-AM 1500's "Auto Talk," Paul Brand. Paul worked for Group 44 in the mid 1970s.

Saturday, March 27

Hilton Metrodome

1330 Industrial Blvd. at I-35W north

Cocktails begin at 5 p.m.

Dinner at 7 p.m.

$20 fee includes dinner

Theresa says, "This is NOT one of those boring guy things."

Banquet -- Social Hour -- Vendors -- Guest speaker

Banquet Registration:

Pre-registration and $20 pre-payment for each person required. Open to members of local sports car clubs. Seating is limited, so register early. Confirmation notice will be sent.

Name.....

Guests.....

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Address.....

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Phone.....

Club member of.....

Menu choice (indicate number of plates)

.....*Chicken Marsala* .....*London Broil*

Mail by March 15

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Inter-Marque Spring Kick-off

Sponsored by Minnesota Triumphs

Return by popular demand! This is the big kick-off of four years ago, re-billed to reflect the new friendships between the Twin Cities' sports car clubs. Inter-Marque it is, with vendors displaying their wares from around the glob. Big Wheel-Rossi is the major sponsor, featuring cars on display from Archer Classic Cars, Duluth. Paul Brand, Star Tribune columnist and host of KSTP-AM 1500's "Auto Talk," will speak to us about our favorite hobby -- but don't hesitate to bring your significant other. Theresa promises that this is NOT just one of those boring guy things!

Come early. Cocktails begin at 5 p.m. We will have tables for local sports car clubs available, so members (and potential members) can learn about club benefits.

Dinner begins at 7 p.m. It is a sit-down dinner, featuring Chicken Marsala and London Broil as the main entrees. Please indicate entre choice on the registration form. Seating is limited -- our best advise is to register early to guarantee seating, as registration is on a first-received basis. Confirmation notice will be sent upon receipt of the $20 banquet fee per person.

This is a big event to kick off the season -- and wake us up from our winter slumber. Will be looking forward to seeing you at the Kick-off!

Theresa Morris
Minnesota Triumphs Newsletter Editor
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Saturday, March 27

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