



"The Marque"

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December 2014

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Cutoff date for next month's Marque is the 20th.

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President's Report: ~ Lorna Ball

Howdy...I write this on the eve of Thanksgiving Eve and my brain wanders to Mr. Tommy Turkey, now thawing in the refrig. Ahhhhhh.....can't wait! What a wonderful November meeting. The service was awesome....I definitely believe they made up for any past mistakes. And, I was told by the manager that the same two young ladies will be waiting on us in January and February. We did a good thing with all that money in our treasury. It was voted to give \$1500 to the British Transportation Museum and to give \$1500 to the local food pantry in Dayton. The checks have been distributed. I'm very pleased, as I am sure you are also. Looking forward to seeing all of you at our Christmas gathering on the 13th! Merry Christmas everyone.....Lorna

Treasurer's Report:~Harry Mague

Treasurer's Report: As of 1 November 2014, the club account had a balance of \$4555.57. For the month of November, the club had the following income: 50/50 of \$10.00 and we received \$1800.00 from the BCD final payout. The club made two charity donations of \$1500.00 each to the British Transportation Museum and the Good Neighbor House Food Pantry. Total expense for the month was \$3000.00. Account balance as of 1 December 2014 will be \$3365.57.

Secretary's Report: ~

MVT Minutes, November 5, 2014

The meeting began 3 minutes early partly due to a great job by the wait staff at Logan's. President called the meeting to order with a hail to the Queen. Lorna reminded all there will be no meeting at Logan's in December as we will be at Bergamo for the Soiree. Also noted was that the positions of Vice President, Treasurer and Membership are open for nominations in December. No Vice President Report Secretary Report: Thanks to the temp. Secretary, Bruce Clough the secretary called for the minutes to accept as published in the Marque. Chris White made the motion and Stan Seto second. Motion to accept was passed.

Treasurer, Harry Mague, reported a check from BCD of \$1800. When deposited the balance in checking will be \$6300.

Membership reported that one former member asked that he receive no further communications from the club as he no longer is interested. December 13 is the Holiday Soiree and Dec 20 is the Christmas dinner at the Golden Lamb with a possible Waynesville antique and shopping first. Dinner reservation is for 4:45pm. TRA will be the second week of June in 2015 and VTR will be the first full week in August at Eagle Lake Wisconsin. Jan. 7, 2015 at Logan's will be the planning meeting for 2015 events beginning at 6pm. Everyone is encouraged to come with ideas for next year.

Committee Reports:

Bruce reported that his brake drums are being shipped after about a year. Hope they are not held up in customs. There are two Triumphs available with all paperwork in fair condition for \$7000 each. Anyone interested in there should contact Ted. Mike McKitrick was asked if he had purchased the Adobe Acrobat yet, cost will be around \$300. He hadn't purchased yet as he was wanting a version on disc.

Pete reminded us that he has lots of Regalia that would go well in the "Brown Bags" for December. Stan reported that BCD is done for this year and planning is beginning on the 2015 event.

Old Business: Lorna recapped for all the process by which we came to have the extra monies to give to the charity groups we had chosen at previous meetings – British Transportation Museum and the Good Neighbor House Food Party of Dayton. Stan Seto made a motion that in the future when we have monies to give to charities the groups from the year before not be considered for giving and new charities chosen. Jim Sipos seconded the motion. After much discussion a vote was taken to not except the motion. The consensus was that each time we have monies to give we would make the decision based on the current needs of the community.

New Business: Pete thanked the group on behalf of the British Transportation Museum for the donation.

Comments: Stan noted a box of t-shirts that he brought for passed BCD and other events. All were encouraged to take what they wanted. Great for "Brown Bag". Stan also had contact information on group that assesses charities and amounts actually going to the cause they promote.

John suggested that members might want to donate to NPR in honor of Car Talk host Joe. 50/50 \$10 was won by Bridget Clough. Happy Thanksgiving to All Meeting Adjourned at 8:10pm

MVT Events December 2014!

Upcoming Events From your MVT Event's Chair – Bruce Clough – bclough@woh.rr.com

November Notes

Guy Fawkes Wine Tour and Dinner.

(Disclaimer – if you are a teetotaler you do not want to read this)



Chicken anyone?

Perfect time! Perfect run. Weather was a bit chilly, but we met at the Mel-O-Dee Restaurant in New Carlisle and headed out from there after some chicken!



First stop was the Brandeberry Winery in Enon – sweets and semi-drys are a bit better than

the reds – and then headed to the Wind's Wine Cellar in Yellow Springs



I had to try it – eh, okay I guess...



Our Tasting Room with our Vision for Signage in Spring 2014

From there we headed across town to the S&G Distillery to try some Schnapps and Apple Pie, then we walked across the parking lot to the Yellow Springs Brewery.

In my estimation the YSB is the best microbrewery in the Dayton area. I have not really found a beer I haven't liked at least a little bit.



Tasting Flight at the YSB

From there it was time to head off to Caesar's Creek Winery and try their whites. This is my favorite local winery, good whites and pretty location.



Skipping Stone at the Caesar's Creek Winery

From there it was on to dinner at the Valley Vineyards in Morrow. As usual there was

abundant food, great desserts, and you get to watch people cook salmon on an open grill that have never grilled fish before.



Put a fork in it – Run's done! Dinner at Valley Vineyards

Had a great time folks – thanks to all who showed up!

Editorial Note – we would not want folks to come away thinking we are pushing drunkenness, lewdness, debauchery, public indecency, and immoral actions (although in the right settings those can be spectator sports) with our tour of these establishments – we monitor alcohol intake versus time and designated drivers are picked beforehand. Only grapes were harmed on our run

Upcoming Events

December

**13 - Holiday Soiree – Bergamo in
Beavercreek** – for some folks this is the
highlight of the MVT year. Full page
information is provided on the next two pages.
You cannot say we do not deliver!

2014 MVT Holiday Soiree 13 December 2014

The FrankenStag sayeth:

The Soiree will be at Queen of Apostles meeting room in Bergamo St John - 4400 Shakertown Road in Beavercreek. (See separate map)

*We will have social beginning at 6:30PM and eat at 7. MVT is covering the meat as well as sodas, coffee and tea. Please bring a delicious food item to share – also please let Lois know what you are bringing so she can coordinate. If you want anything else to drink please **BYOB**. Home phone is 253-1580, call 937-603-4194, email Bigday@zoomtown.com.*



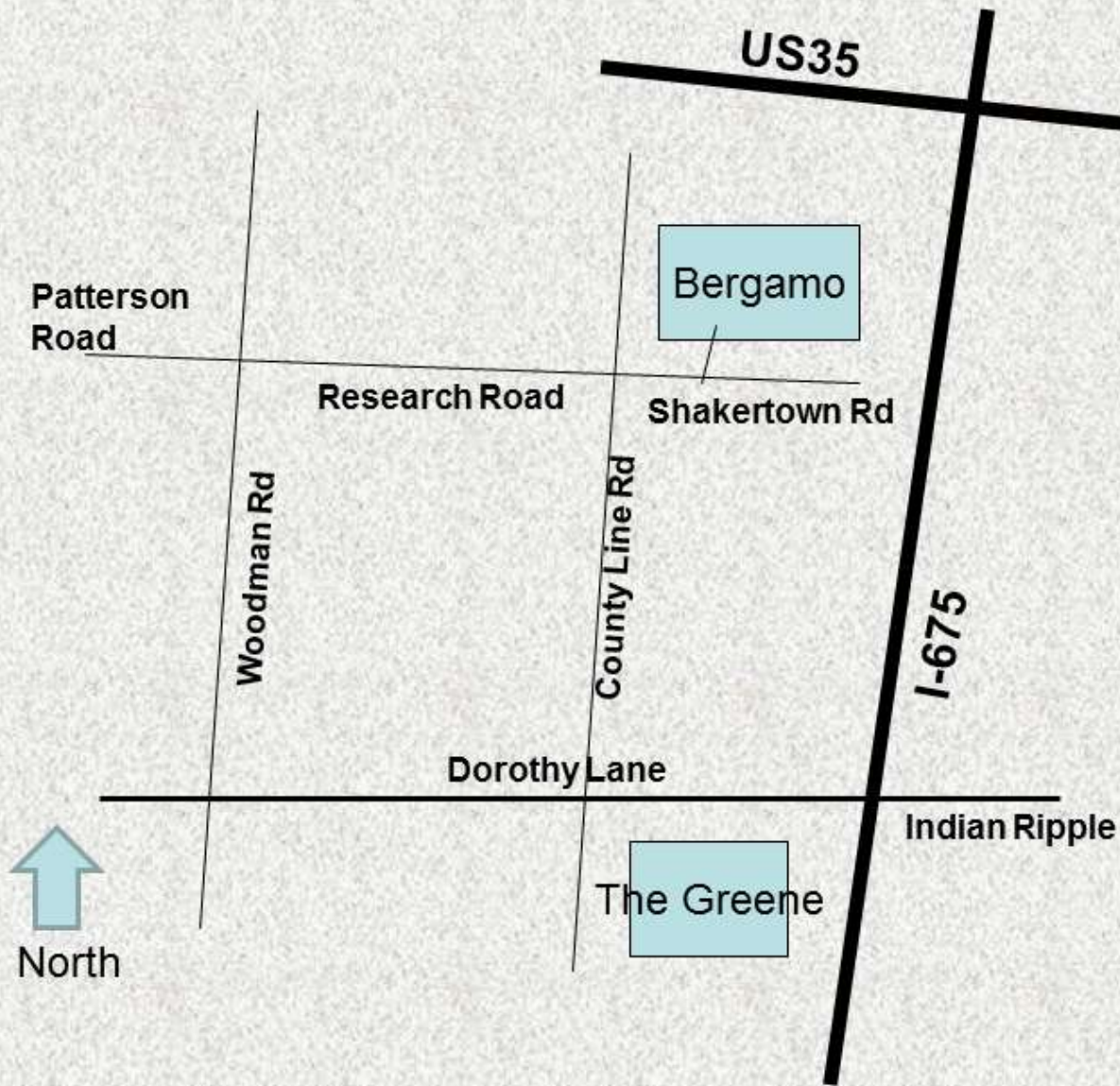
The Pumpkin Bro's continue:

"Everyone needs to bring at least one brown paper grocery bag containing fun stuff to auction. Fun stuff is defined as old Triumph parts or things that will make folks laugh, like plastic fish and old 8-tracks or 8-track players. The weirder, the better. All proceeds go to the club treasury. You cannot leave your bags once you bought them. All unclaimed bags will be mailed to you!"

There – all ought to have a great time! See you there and hope for some great parts!



Map To Queen of Apostles [Bergamo]



Directions: However you can, get to the intersection of Research (Research becomes Shakerstown) and County Line roads. Go 2 tenths mile east (Continue on Shakerstown) and turn north into driveway by sign that says Bergamo/Mt St John. In other-words, go to Bergamo. Follow curving driveway to stop sign [about 2 tenths mile]. Turn left [short distance] to T, turn left and find parking space. The sign over door says Queen of Apostles Community – IF you get lost call 937-603-4194 or 937-238-4962



20 – The Run to Christmas Dinner!

Everyone likes last year's dinner at the Golden Lamb, so we have another one set for this year.

Run Rendezvous – Always have to shop, unless you are a guy and it is a quilt store...anyway, for those that want to do a bit of shopping in and on the way to Lebanon we will meet at the Starbuck's Café, Spring Valley & SR 741 - 9500 Springboro Pike, Miamisburg, OH 45342 (937-435-0037) – this is south of the Dayton Mall on 741 across from Lexis-Nexis – at 12:30 – we will head to Springboro and then to Lebanon.

Dinner Rendezvous – If you are not planning on any shopping, dinner is at 4:45 PM (hard to get a table later near the holidays even if you call two months in advance...), so those not doing a bit of Christmas shopping beforehand meet in the Golden Lamb's lobby at 4:30PM. So where is the Golden Lamb? Downtown Lebanon Ohio, right smack dab on the main intersection – where US 42, OH 63, OH 48, and OH 123 all come together. Address is 27 S. Broadway Lebanon, Ohio 45036 If you are still lost here is a link to their web page directions:

<http://www.goldenlamb.com/pages/contact/?&page=contact>

January 2105

7 – MVT Monthly Meeting at Logan's Roadhouse near the Fairfield Commons Mall. Dinner at 6:30, Meeting at 7:30, BS all the time. Logan's #432 - 937-426-5565, 2819 Centre Dr., Beavercreek, OH 45324.

This is the annual calendar planning meeting – the Event's part will run a bit longer as we develop the events. Bring your thoughts and your thinking cap!

We need events for 2015 – get your thinking caps on!



I was reflecting the other day on the journey The TRminator, my brother and I had taken in restoring this car. It was a much more involved endeavor than either of us had expected. But the trip was fun and frustrating, it was a rewarding challenge that tested both of our skills and ingenuity...as well as our patience lol. In the end we sat back and raised our beers and toasted our accomplishment with gratifying resolve.

I remember the first day, The TRminator was sitting on the lift looking like a pretty decent TR250 with a wee bit of age on it.



The next several days I worked on the car like a mad man, feverishly tearing it apart in an effort to separate the body from the chassis.



With the disassembly complete it was time for some of the fun stuff...the re-assembly. I had gotten the frame powder coated and I put the suspension back on the car. I thought to myself...now this is fun.



One of the bigger hurdles I had to jump was when I decided to add an A type OD to the car. I purchased a complete transmission and OD on ebay and when it arrived it had been damaged in shipping. I had to scour the internet for a new main housing for the OD. Finally finding one the shipper purchased it. However that was just the first hurdle.



Upon opening the transmission I found more broken gears than I had expletives to describe them. The bad news was the OD wasn't any better. Thankfully just about every part of the OD can be had. Many many hours and dollars later I had it in the car.



My next joyous event came when it was time to reunite the body with the chassis.



Of course I couldn't have gotten to this second of joyous states without my brother working his voodoo and messaging the sheet metal into submission.



My next occasion to become excited was when we had gotten all the body panels sanded to

perfection and we ushered the car to the paint booth, where my brother worked some more of his voodoo.



With the body work done it was time to start putting The TRminator back together. Although I spent way more time on my back looking up under the dash than I cared for I got'er done. What surprised the hell out of me was everything actually worked. I had to get well acquainted with my ole friend Jack Daniels No.7 after that...and before that as well.



Putting the interior in the car was also a test of my abilities. It was quite a bit more involved than I had anticipated. Besides the pieces only being sort of cut to fit there were no holes in anything. Trying to line everything up to punch holes in what amounted to a one shot chance to get it right was nerve-racking. But having the old panels to use as a template to get things in the ball park was a godsend. I'll go into more detail on the interior install in a future article.

So, the car is done...for the most part. I have that issue with the rear bumper. Im going to have my original re-plated, but I haven't heard from TRF yet what they are going to do about my return of their bumper. I recently received my new replacement top from Robbins which was replaced under warranty since it was discovered that their pattern was incorrect. So that still needs to be put on. The last thing will

be my seat covers from Mr. Mike for the Miata seats, which I'm still waiting on.

This reader's digest version was just a very small part of the journey we took...and I was glad that I was able to share it with you. Hope you enjoyed the trip as much as I did. I actually just wrote this to fill up some space in the Marque... Idle ramblings from an idle mind. : P

I could not have done this project without my brother. So this goes out to him
Cheers Bro

