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**Wednesday,**  
**October 19, 2016**

Thunder Bay Grille  
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(near East State Street and  
Bell School Road)

**Dinner and social hour  
at 6:00pm**

**Meeting begins at 7:00pm**

## President's Message      October 2016

If you were at the September club meeting you heard Bruce Beneditz outlining the remaining events on our 2016 calendar. As we enjoy these last few drives in the crisp fall weather it is not too early to begin planning and dreaming about next year and it's many opportunities. When I looked back through our activities in 2016, it was gratifying to see how many members pitched in to help make the good times roll. I am confident this tradition will continue in 2017.

It is also time to begin thinking about board members for the upcoming year. As per our BBB by-laws, an election of officers will take place at the January meeting. Although the election will be for all nine board positions the President, Vice-President, and Secretary must be replaced as they have reached their limit of two consecutive terms. While it is human nature to just let someone else do it, as with anything else in life you get out of it what you put into it. Please consider taking your turn for the good of the organization. Everyone would love to hear your ideas.

Rich

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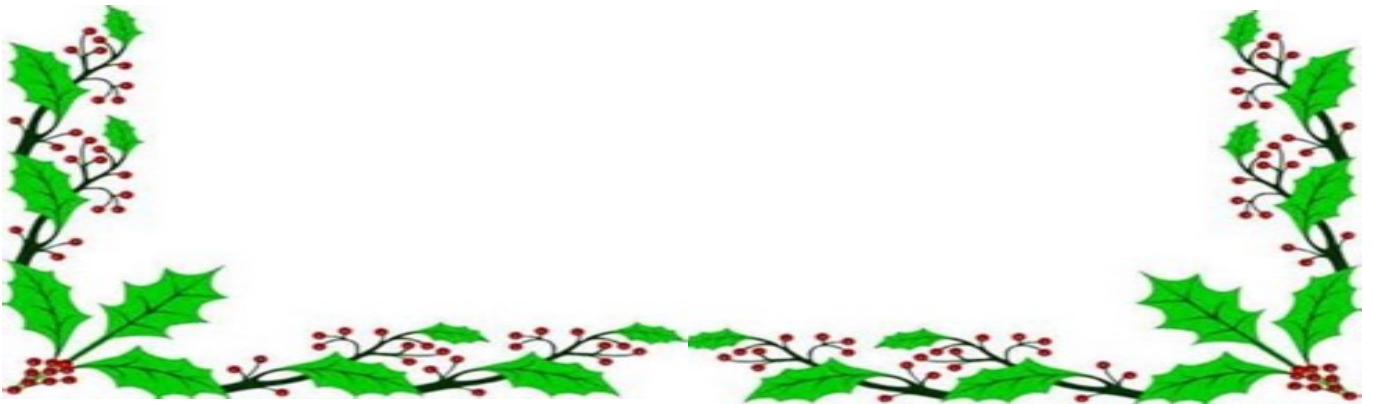
Save the Date!!!

December 14, 2016

**WATCH FOR YOUR INVITATION BY EMAIL!**

Even though it is 80+° outside now, the holidays begin in just over two months. Please save this date for our Christmas Party at Lino's Restaurant in Rockford. Remember this evening replaces our normal meeting night for December where we will eat, drink and be merry with our BBB friends.

Planning is just getting started for this party. If you would like to help and at the same time get to know some other members, I invite you to please give Bev a call at 815-975-0857 or e-mail at [andsewon53@comcast.net](mailto:andsewon53@comcast.net). Help with decorating, program for the evening, party set-up and other planning will be done over the next couple of months.



## SEPTEMBER 21, 2016 BOOTS AND BONNETS CLUB MEETING

### **Presidents report – Rich Cannistra**

The September BBB meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Rich Cannistra. There were 44 members present.

There are extra BBB business cards and Chronicles from last month available on the front table. Don Grosenick reviewed this month's raffle prizes, with the help of Pres. Rich.

### **Vice President's report – Larry Eils**

No report.

### **Secretary – Marna Grosenick**

Motion to accept the minutes as printed in the Chronicle was made by Rick Hamaker  
Second by Ron Kuhnau – motion passed

### **Treasurer – Lee Kindgren**

Lee presented the treasurer report.

Motion to approve: Bruce Beneditz Second: Larry Eils - Motion passed

### **Membership: Bev Joyce**

No changes in membership numbers since last month. We have 74 paid memberships. Bev requests that you keep her updated on any personal changes you might have, ie: new phone number, change of address, sell or purchase a British car, etc.

### **Regalia: Jim Vickery**

No report, other than, if you would like to know what regalia is left from our old stock, please check our website.

### **Chronicle/Newsletter: Lynda Vickery**

Thank you to Lynda for the amazing special edition of the Chronicle she published featuring pictures and story of the long weekend trip to Green Bay for the Tall Ships Festival.

She requests that you keep the pictures and articles coming. She would especially like stories from members (with pictures) of their first British car.

Lynda also mentioned that she has been receiving newsletters from quite a few other British Car clubs.

### **Webmaster: Hal Zenisek**

Hal has information about a 1966 MGA for sale. If you would like more information, please check with him. **Sunshine- Phyllis Beneditz**

1. Peggy Schmitz's mother passed away
2. Leon Kitzmiller has had surgery, but is doing well.

Please let Phyllis know if you know of anyone who is ill or should receive a card from the club.

### **Past Events: Bruce Beneditz**

1. Crossroads Blues Festival – We had a good turnout, and everyone had a great time.
2. BBB Club Picnic – Thank you to Ed & Luz Lehman for hosting us at your house. We had a great turnout, and everyone had a wonderful time. Thank you, too, for all the amazing wooden prizes you had for us to raffle off. They were beautiful.
3. Drive & Dine at the Butterfly Club in Beloit, hosted by John & Sandi Ward – 25 people attended, and all had a lovely time.
4. Closing party at Altamore's Restaurante – This was hosted by Ron & Nancy Kuhnau, and attended by 33 people. Although it was sad that it was the last time we can go there, everyone had an amazing evening – the food as terrific and Alberto was as entertaining as ever. We will miss him.

### **Future Events: Bruce Beneditz**

1. The Gentlemen of BBB will meet for lunch at 1:00 on Friday, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, at Ridott Corners Tavern. It is located at Rock City Road and Highway 20.
2. The Ladies of BBB will be meeting for lunch at 12:00 on Friday, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the Capri Restaurant. It is located at 313 East State Street in Rockford.
3. Oct. 1 – Everyone is invited to "Friends Around the Campfire" at the home of Larry & Marsha Eils. Event starts at 6:00 p.m., with hot dogs, beans, and apple pie being served. Please bring a dish or a snack to share, and your own alcoholic beverage (if desired).
  - a. In case of rain, watch your e-mail between 3:00 – 4:00 for cancellation. The rainedate will be on Sunday.
4. Oct. 12 – Drive & Dine hosted by Leon Kitzmiller and Marv Proctor – at La Vigna Restaurant, 2190 S. Daysville Rd, Oregon, IL
  - a. We have no one signed up to host the drive & dines for Nov, Jan, and Feb. If you would be willing to host one of these evenings, please contact Bruce Beneditz.
5. Dec. 7 – Annual Cookie Exchange at the home of Mary Jo Schoening – more details to come.
6. Dec. 14 – BBB Christmas Party at Lino's Restaurant in Rockford. Bev is looking for volunteers to help plan this event. Please contact her if you are interested in hel

### **Unfinished Business –**

A blue lawn chair was left at the picnic at the Lehman's house. Joan Tilson has this chair now. If it belongs to you, please contact Joan to get it back.

### **Good Wrench Award –**

1. Bev Joyce nominated Ron Kuhnau. She was having a problem with no brake lights on the the Green Bay trip. When we returned home, Ron spent the whole weekend getting them fixed for her. Nancy Kuhnau nominated Ed & Luz for their generosity in hosting the Labor Day Picnic again this year, and for donating the wonderful wood door prizes.

The vote was a tie, and raffle tickets were awarded to both.

### **Burnt Piston Award –**

1. Don Grosenick received this award because he forgot to take last month's raffle tickets out of the can before the drawing began this month. It caused some confusion, and quite a bit of laughter before it was straightened out.

## **Raffle – Don Grosenick**

1. White Mum Plant - Hal Zenisek
2. Yellow Mum Plant - Sandi Ward
3. Bronze Mum Plant - Dwayne Plymale
4. Garden Pruner - Bev Joyce
5. Damaged Screw Remover Set - Sandy Hamaker
6. Wireless Meat Thermometer - Leon Kitzmiller
7. Set of two beer chiller sticks - Roger Buck
8. Iceless Wine chiller rod - Marv Proctor
9. Non-stick Bamboo cutting board - Sandy Gustafson
10. Thunder Bay Bucks - Lee Kindgren

## **Adjournment:**

Rich closed the meeting with a fun story about a blond who was trying to sell her high-mileage car. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Marna Grosenick, Secretary

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# BRITISH BOOTS & BONNETS

## 2016 CALENDAR of EVENTS

- October 12      *BBB Drive and Dine* –La Vigna; Oregon, IL  
Host: Leon & Peggy Kitzmiller and  
Marv Proctor & Eileen Meier
- October 19      **BBB CLUB MEETING**  
Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL
- November 9      **BBB Dine** –Location needed  
Host: Volunteer needed
- November 16      **BBB CLUB MEETING**  
Thunder Bay Restaurant
- December 7      **BBB Cookie Exchange**  
Host: Mary Jo Schoening
- December 14      **BBB Christmas Party**  
Host: Bev Joyce

### DID - U - KNOW by Facia Nearside

What's in a name? In the automotive industry plenty, as the name is probably second only to styling when it comes to creating desire in the customer's mind. Yet despite what must be a huge amount of effort invested in the process, the results sometimes leave one to wonder! This is part one of a series looking at some of the names that may have, well...perhaps fallen a little short of the mark.

KIA Motors, a company headquartered in Seoul, South Korea has been producing automobiles since 1986. Enter the KIA "Cee'd" in 2006. The Cee'd was the first KIA designed to sell exclusively in Europe. To commemorate this event KIA created the name from European Economic Community or EEC, which is sometimes called CEE, but they added another "ED" for European Design. Realizing they had too many "e"s in Ceed the last one was replaced with an apostrophe. Seriously?! As if that wasn't bad enough the 3-door hatchback of this model was called a "Pro Cee'd". I suppose at least that meant it was designed to move forward.



## THE BUTTERFLY CLUB IS A SPECIAL TREAT!

by Lynda Vickery

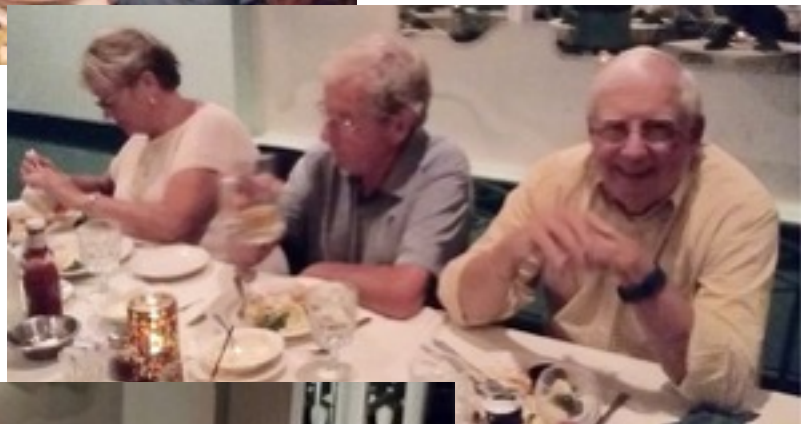


John and Sandi Ward picked a perfect supper club for our October *Drive and Dine*. It wasn't too far away, the route they chose was new to most members and very pretty, and of course the food at The Butterfly was up to it's usual fine standards.

Many members drove with the Wards, and others met them at the supper club - thirty-one in all. After relaxing in the lounge, everyone moved to one of the dining rooms to feast on fish, chicken, steak. You get the picture!

And speaking of pictures, I apologize for the picture quality. I am not the best photographer, nor does my phone take the best pictures.

Thank you John and Sandi for hosting a great club drive and dine!







## BBB DRIVING SEASON ENDS IN A BLAZE

by Marsha and Larry Eils

The fire was hot and welcoming as 20 club members arrived to share dinner, stories and friendship at the Eils house in Harvard. Despite the fact that rain canceled the Friends Around the Campfire on Saturday, Sunday, the rain date, didn't start off any better. The morning was cloudy and misty but by noon it became overcast and warm enough to dry the grass. Ron Kuhnau had a warm campfire blazing to keep everyone comfortable as a beautiful evening unfolded.

A dinner of hot dogs, baked beans, along with potato and lettuce salads, and a huge selection of wonderful desserts was served under the lighted arbor. The evening ended with roasted marshmallows, campfire popcorn and lots of conversation.



## EVENTS – OCTOBER NEWS LETTER

The weather may be transitioning into fall but we still had opportunities to get out and drive our cars in September. The month started off with the Club Picnic at Ed and Luz Lehman's farm. The weather was fantastic and a very good time was had by all who attended. As is usual, Ed and Luz were wonderful hosts with rides around the farm, great food, and good conversation. The September Drive and Dine was hosted by John and Sandi Ward to the Butterfly Supper Club. The Butterfly may be close by but John found an interesting route to get us there. There were several roads that I have never been on.

October kicked off with a combination Fall Drive and Friends Around the Campfire that was held at Larry and Marsha Eils' house. The campfire, in previous years, has been held in August but this year it served as a fitting way to welcome fall. The last Drive and Dine of the year will be hosted by Leon Kitzmiller and Marv Proctor to the La Vigna Italian Restaurant and Bar in Oregon, IL. It should be a beautiful drive down the Rock River valley. Of course there is always the BBB Meeting, Ladies Who Do Lunch, and the Retired British Touring Group Lunch. Look for email reminders and details for the two lunches.

The driving events may be coming to an end but that doesn't mean that it's time to put away your LBC. I love to drive in the fall and my MGs have really good heaters. Keep driving until the snow falls!

Safety Fast,

Bruce Beneditz

### **THE LAST BBB DRIVE AND DINE OF 2016!**

by Marv Proctor and Leon Kitzmiller

The last Drive and Dine will be Wednesday, October 12, 2016, with dinner at La Vigna Italian Restaurant and Bar, 2190 S. Daysville, Rd, Oregon, IL 61061.

The drive will start from the Sandy Hollow K-Mart parking lot at 5:30 for a 6:00 departure. Our reservations are for 6:30 if you would rather meet us there.

La Vigna is providing us with our own private dining area. Their menu features mainly Northern Italian foods with many excellent choices.

Please email Leon at [leonkitz@gmail.com](mailto:leonkitz@gmail.com), or Marv at [mgnut@t6b.com](mailto:mgnut@t6b.com) to let them know you plan to attend so that they can give the restaurant a good headcount. And please let them know no later than October 10th.

If you would rather call or text: Leon can be reached at 815-978-5231 and Marv at 815-814-5907.

## **BBB COOKIE EXCHANGE WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH**

by Mary Jo Schoening & Lynda Vickery

Mary Jo is looking forward to hosting the BBB Cookie Exchange, another favorite event for the club. The festivities begin at 7 pm on Wednesday, December 7th. Please bring your favorite cookies along with the recipe, a container to take home your cookie selections, an appetizer to share, and your beverage of choice.

If you bring 4 dozen cookies then please choose 4 dozen from among the fanciest, best tasting cookies our members bring. You may bring more, or less, but please take home the same number that you bring.

This co-ed cookie exchange is as much fun for the guys as the gals. We have a relaxed time in MJ's home eating our way through the appetizers and visiting with each other before making our cookie selections to take home. Many of us have found the exchange a perfect way to have a great selection of cookies on hand for the Holiday Season. See you there!



## **REGALIA - OCTOBER 2016**

### **BBB REGALIA ONLINE**

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Jim Vickery

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Register by sending your completed application to:

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British Boots and Bonnets Car Club  
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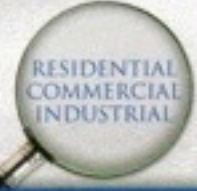
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