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NEXT MEETING – December 14, 2006 – Rush Street Grill

Minutes of the ABCS Meeting for November 9, 2006

After a leisured meal, the meeting got under way with 22 members present. Bill Wilson reported that there is \$496.00 in the treasure. Jerry Mitchell then spoke about the “Autumn in the Mountains” car show, where he and Bill Wilson took “First Place” in their respective classes. Bill Wilson also took “First Place” in his class at the Chattanooga Cho-Cho. Congratulations to both.

Paul Kern, President, reminded everyone that there will be election of officers at our next meeting in December. At the moment, the slate for officers is as follow:

President – Virginia Leamon
Vice-President - ?
Secretary – Juan Dominguez
Treasurer – Bill Wilson

The complete slate will be placed in our Web site. If anyone is interested in running for any of the offices, now

is the time to throw your name in the hat.

Paul Kern made several proposals for the membership to consider and which will be voted on during the next meeting.

- 1- A change to the by-laws to a two-year term for officers.
- 2- Change Program Chairman to sign-up sheet on voluntary basis.
- 3- Change Drive Chairman to a voluntary position, where everybody should initiate drives.

Paul also made a motion, seconded by C.C. Goodson; to bring presents for charity to the Christmas Party, instead of our usual “White Elephant”. Motion passed. The presents will be for children in the region, and will be collected by the U.S. Marines Corps.

Upcoming Events:

Dec. 14 – Christmas Party

Dec. 16 – Mystery Drive

May 11-13 – Townsend Car Show

July 16-20 – MG2007 – Napa Valley

Bicycling Across Tennessee.

By Allen McKenna

Allen showed us a slide presentation of his recent trip across parts of Tennessee on his bicycle. The trip is organized by State Parks with a maximum of 300 participants. The cover charge includes all accommodations and meals. A truck driver who owns a semi volunteers to carry their belongings. They visited four State Parks for a total of 425 miles in seven days. They got to visit the tomb of Merriwether Lewis and the Shiloh Battlefield, amongst many other places of interest.

Allen Calcote presented Allen a plaque and thanking him for a very interesting program. The plaque had been donated by Gourmet & Co. in Johnson City.

Al Bradley was the Door Prize winner, which consisted of a bag of goodies.

Veteran's Day Drive.

Several members met at the Rush Street parking area for a drive to several of the Veteran's Memorials across the area. Those participating in the drive were: Ben Bailey in his MGB, Paul and Ann Kern in their MGB, Barry Black in his MGB_GT, Juan Dominguez in his MGB, Peter and Pat Davis in their Jaguar XJ8, and Gerry and Becky Mitchell in their Jaguar XJS.

Upon leaving the parking area, we traveled to the Bristol Memorial in downtown Bristol, where the dedications had not started yet.



Memorial Park in Bristol

After visiting the memorial, we drove to Elizabethton, where the ceremonies were just getting underway. A big U.S. flag had been hoisted from a crane, and many people were milling around the Memorial Park.



Ceremonies in Elizabethton



We then drove to Erwin for our final stop before lunch. The ceremonies had not started yet and we were able to admire the beautiful monuments dedicated to the various branches of the Armed Forces.

By this time most of us were a little hungry. A short drive to Jonesborough took us to the Main Street Café, where we all had a



delicious lunch.

After lunch, we all went our own separate ways. It was a most enjoyable, beautiful day. Some of us had the chance to go topless.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!!