



## The newsletter of the San Diego Miata Club

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## A 'Cutt Above

#### Gene Streeter

 o, our newsletter editor and proofreaders didn't overlook a spelling error. I'm just putting a different twist on the run review concept. Now five days downstream from the "Cars and Castles" run, I still have visions of automotive perfection and strains of *Phantom of the Opera* music running through my mind. (Distracting, yes; unpleasant, no)

I'm guessing most of you that experienced the Nethercutt Collection in Sylmar Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, feel much the same way. Even if you weren't entirely absorbed in the comprehensive collection of automobiles on display there, your interests would surely have been piqued by the Lalique crystal, hood ornaments, mechanical music pieces, restored private rail car and locomotive, or the overall sensory experience. As I shared, it's been more than thirty years since I'd been there; the museum, with its 150 vehicles on display didn't exist back then and I never had the music concert experience. For Bonnie, this was her inaugural fancy. The metallic silver 20 Grand Duesenberg (yes, I visit.

Steve Waid shared in his customary post-event club e-mail the sense of financial and automotive excess that was captured in that collection, intoning what an exciting era the Roaring 1920's and Great Depres-

sion 1930'as must have been. As an aside, it's not only Steve that publishes his gratitude, but many appreciative SDMC folks express their appreciation in that manner. Your efforts feel very special to the run leaders. It's a habit I need to acquire.

The degree of customization that was possible atop your choice of rolling chassis eclipsed even the options list of most modern sport and luxury motorcars. (Sorry chaps, for the lapse into British-speak.) You could choose the coachbuilder, body configuration, color and plating combinations - wheels, bodies, fenders, tops, fabrics, woods, chrome, brass, and silver...you get the idea. Many of the 20's and 30's luxury vehicles even had very labor-intensive faux "caning" painted across multiple body panels.

Yes, there was a representative sample of more mundane transportation vehicles in the collection, but that wasn't what typically captured my attention and know I took liberties in my pre-event hype, inflating it to the 100 Grand model) that starred in the 1934 World's Fair was arguably the finest automobile money could buy. "It's a Duesy" became a part of our lan-

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ell it's been an exhausting day and this bath that Chester, my chamber man has drawn for me feels so very relaxing. I have just the right amount of bubbles in my bath and I feel the chilled champagne bubbles popping at my nostrils as I sip....and my long cigarette in it's ivory holder is just letting the smoke gently flow upwards, I take a long drag and slip deeper into the warmth of these bubbles as I close my eyes and reflect on the day......how lucky I am to be Dorothy Nethercutt......

They say "reality is the leading cause of stress"...

After today's Nethercutt Run, I couldn't agree more! I was definitely born 75 yrs late. Gene and Bonnie took us on a run that made me take a deep breath and sigh over and over again.. WOW.... is this all real? I just can't put into words the overwhelming feelings I have tonight as I reflect on the day. Going to Nethercutt is an experience beyond words... the cars " are over the top" is all I can say, then add to it all the musical instruments and the "concert' of 5,000 pipes in that ambiance of elegance.. another big WOW! The icing on the cake as always is that I got to share this magnificent display of affluence with all of you! I know we all felt the same way... as much as we love our Miata's... what a great era to have lived 75+ yrs ago. (although having a hot flash in all those petticoats doesn't appeal much) And then Gene, you had to rub in the affluence just that much more by taking us on the Mulholland Drive....three WOWs for that one.

There are so very many parts to my life here in California that I wouldn't have known about if it weren't for this Club and today adds lots more. My life wouldn't be so enriched and wonderful if it weren't for folks like you all. Thanks Gene and Bonnie for another fabulous event.

Diane Foster, Events Coordinator, SDMC

The opulence of the Nethercutt lifestyle is displayed in the railcar china (I) and the collector car (r.)









Harold checks out the controls of the fabulously restored steam engine.

Photos by Laurie Waid

guage...meaning the very best, the new plus ultra. Somehow, modern references – the bomb, wicked, and "sick" don't resonate as well with me.

Did you notice the <u>four</u> machined hinges on the front doors of that vehicle? Despite having to carry the weight of the door assembly, they provided the smoothness and balance of a bank vault door, for the most discriminating customers. Owners of the marque bearing their name, Fred and August Duesenberg were first, and foremost, engineers of the company that fell upon hard times during the Great Depression. Where most luxury vehicles of the day were content with 100 to 150 horsepower, the supercharged Duesies pumped out 320; they were powerful, fast, and had great road manners. For contemporary comparison, think Bugatti Veyron, arriving some seventy years later and priced at roughly \$2 million.

What killed off the wretched excesses of that era? Anyone, anyone? (Sorry, but I don't know whether I've lapsed into an impression of Steve Waid or Ben Stein, from *Ferris Bueller*...) While it's something of a rhetorical question, the Great Depression even impacted the wealthiest citizens and consumers. The weakest of those companies engaged in building automobiles and trucks (numbering in the multiple dozens) were forced to compromise, consolidate, or simply go out of business. There may be certain parallels to our contemporary economic woes. Where automobiles are concerned, how much comfort, power, or speed is enough?

Answer, sort of: for many of us in SDMC, the gauge we use is the "grin factor." To resurrect Chrysler Corp. Chairman Lee Iacocca's post-Congressional bail-out mantra, "If you can find a better car than this, buy it!" As the Miata (MX-5 to some of us) sneaks up on thirty years of production, we can begin to appreciate the balance between performance, size, and cost. Get it right and the automobile has a successful run. Make it fun to drive, and the grin factor increases.

Speaking of "grin factor," ask Events Coordinator Diane Foster how she liked the mini music concert. (How's that for a segue?) She was comfortably seated at a grand piano just a few yards from a roomful of organ pipes (only a portion of the 5500 pipes that make up this organ). Soaking in the opening stanzas of *Music of the Night*, she had no idea those pipes would bellow such sound. I wish I could share a video record of her reaction...her smile vanished before the bass reached half its volume.

As run leaders, Bonnie and I wished we had budgeted more time to enjoy the museum. Leaving Oceanside earlier than 9:00 AM would have helped.

Just as important, we wish we had carved out more time to enjoy our picnic lunch. Some of our group came well-prepared for a picnic and there simply wasn't enough time to enjoy it. Running *stag* that day, Dave Hunt and Jack Hinkle indulged their ice cream fantasies instead. At the conclusion of our two-hour "Tower of Beauty" tour, around 3:30 PM, we left the Nethercutt compound. True to our traditional drive-eat-drive-eat routine, we drove approximately twenty miles, with six of those over legendary Mulholland Drive, to our next landmark stop.

Phillipe the Original, in LA's Chinatown and only a block from Union Station, will celebrate 100 years in business next month. Famous for its *invention* of the French dip sandwich, Phillipe's provided good food at very reasonable prices, complete with wood shavings, not the expected sawdust, on the floor. Realizing the difference, a few of us felt like hamsters. Please note: we *felt* like hamsters, we didn't behave like them.

Recall Steve's e-mail comments that he only spent \$15.00 for the entire day (apart from high-test gasoline)? No, that wasn't just his dinner; that was Laurie's as well. The entire Nethercutt experience was free unless you patronized the Merle Norman cosmetics retail store or bought the exquisite coffee table book as we did. What could the family-owned enterprise charge if they wanted? I've paid forty to fifty dollars admission for far less entertainment and education. While the experience was truly memorable, I have no intention of waiting a few more decades before I visit again. Fact is, I'm thinking of sharing the experience with my staff and co-workers.

If you participated in the Cars and Castles run, Bonnie and I enjoyed your company. We are committed (or need to be) to hosting theme runs, a style already perfected by other club members...you know who you are. For those of us that were counting the "castles" we passed on our 200+ mile tour, my official count was eight, and included the famous Hollywood sign. However, there were many more homes that certainly qualified, either by price or the way they were perched on the hillsides.

If you missed out on the Nethercutt tour itself, you missed the opportunity to experience one of the finest automobile collections on the planet, even apart from its music and other collections. The Nethercutt Collection includes six concours "Best of Show" winners and numerous class wins – more than any other collection or competitor. The fact that everything is both beautiful and functional (yes, all these cars are driven; most are licensed and registered) is just icing on the cake. As I suggested in the title, the facility and experience was a "cut above" the ordinary...well above.

## **My Favorite Road**

#### Les Smith

### **Lyons Valley Road**

ilm character Napoleon Dynamite would be disappointed to learn that East County's Lyons Valley isn't populated with lions or ligers (supposedly a cross between a lion and tiger that he drew during most high school classes). Club members are familiar with this East County area thanks to an interesting secondary highway that craftily mixes beautiful scenery with some very challenging driving.

Lyons Valley Road runs 18 miles North-South from Japatul Valley Road to State Route 94 at Jamul. The upper portion is part of my commute to work daily; its entire length for any East County run.

Turning off Japatul Valley Road at the northern end of Lyons Valley Road, elevation is just over 2,600 feet. Before you can work your way up through the gears, our route begins winding its way around the side of a mountain bordering the Pine Creek Wilderness Area. Wild fires in recent years burned most of the vegetation, creating a somewhat barren landscape. Driving slow allows an occasional peak into this deep gorge.

Rounding the last curve, the road straightens with a spectacular view of successive mountain ranges to the south. Shortly, Barrett Lake, appearing to be three separate bodies of water, can be seen to the west as we begin losing elevation. This upper portion of Lyons Valley Road is wide and well maintained with moderate berm.

This is true, remote, backcountry San Diego County.

After eight miles, we arrive at an intersection, with Honey Springs Road going south and Skyline Truck Trail curving northeast to Jamul. Brave and daring drivers, however, continue straight.

Immediately, you come to understand the reason for the bright orange sign cautioning, "Semis not advised." Lyons Valley Road narrows considerably and is winding, the berm is minimal, and trees often grow right at its edge. At the same time, you start seeing signs of civilization: houses, farms and even a general store.

Your speed will drop also as you literally maneuver your way down into lower Lyons Valley. I wouldn't be sur-

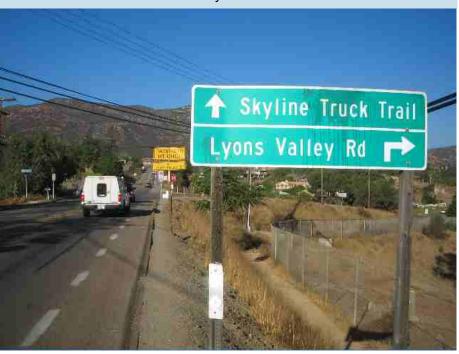
prised if this route started out as a path first traveled by Native Americans long ago. Stay alert for sharp curves, protruding rocks and traffic; passing oncoming vehicles requires care and further slowing.

Dulzura Creek carved the lowest level of Lyons Valley. The roadway is mostly ungraded near water level and resembles a roller coast ride as it dips and rises several times, curving one way and then the opposite before a series of tight, rising curves on the climb up onto a plateau called Lees Valley. Again, a narrow road and numerous houses and farms.

And, out of nowhere, a straight stretch of road about three quarters of a mile in length. Don't get too comfortable, though; one more challenging section of challenging Lyons Valley Road remains! This portion takes us over and then down another hill that combines a narrow road, tight curves and a spectacular view to the west of San Diego and the ocean.

Arrows clearly reflect the difference between these two roads.

Photo by Les Smith



Once at the bottom, follow the valley another mile out to an intersection with the other end Skyline Truck Trail. Turn left and a much-wider Lyons Valley Road completes our drive to Route 94 in less than two miles.

Speaking again of Napoleon Dynamite and this being an election year, remember: Vote for Pedro!

## Welcome, New Members

As of September 17, 2008, we have 238 memberships (85 single, 153 dual) for a total of 388 members.

| Welcome to newest memberships - 2 since the August newsletter. |           |             |  |  |
|--|-----------|-------------|--|--|
| Nick Bucur   | San Diego | 2006 Silver |  |  |
| Sparrow & Bill Daenitz   | El Cajon  | 2006 Blue   |  |  |

## Full Throttle, the "Spark" has returned...

David Streeter, President, SDMC



ctober is finally here, hopefully accompanied by cooler weather.
While the weather may be getting cooler, things remain HOT with our activities calendar. Every weekend has more activities to choose from to ensure our enjoyment of our beloved Miata's.

The "Spark" has returned to SDMC and I couldn't be happier. We previously had a slowdown in activities in the same time period last year, which is not the case this year as we shift into gear, full throttle heading into the Holiday Season.

Our memberships have been increasing steadily each month and I am happy to see more Miataphiles joining us in the twisties. The August Monthly meeting provided standing room only combined with the anticipated delivery of our coveted and fully custom SDMC branded Hawaiian Shirts. Thank you for Mike and Lisa Schwartz for spearheading this one of a kind and never to be repeated item. It

was also decided and voted unanimously that SDMC would design a custom yearly T-Shirt to add to our Regalia items, details to follow in the near future.

I would like to also thank Tom Thompson for his years of service as our Events Coordinator. The new voice of SDMC Activities is Diane Foster, who brings a fresh level of excitement to our monthly meetings. I had personally approached her to take over this important position because I knew she was more than capable, as well as bringing her unique personality and enthusiasm to the position. Thank you again Diane for your dedicated service to SDMC.

Each weekend brings new and varied events for our driving pleasure. Diane Foster is hosting the first SDMC sponsored (to my knowledge) event into "The Mountain Playground" Big Bear Lake. Having grown up in Big Bear, I am looking forward to this event. Although it is not unusual to encounter an early snow storm in the month of October, I hope that it will remain clear throughout the weekend.

Bonnie and Gene Streeter hosted another successful event to the Nethercutt Collection and Museum in Sylmar. If anyone was unable to make this event, I highly recommend visiting their private collection. After all, it's the best price available, FREE with advance reservations.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> SDMC/SCAT driving school was hosted on Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup> and I would like to thank all our volunteer instructors and club members for their participation. I'm sure it was another great event and I'm sorry I was unable to attend this year.

The first Saturday in October, we will be hosting our friends the Zonies visiting from Arizona. Join for the Fall Leaves run, hosted by Jack and Sue Hinkle. This should be another exciting event.

I'm excited to be at the helm of our great club with many exciting events approaching. While we continue to run on all cylinders, there is always room for additional and new activities.

I welcome anyone to host their first event and earn their coveted SDMC magnetics. I personally offer my assistance to anyone interested, all you have to do is ask...

Keep up the great work and I look forward to seeing you all at an upcoming, top down event. Keep your tops down and enjoy the ride!

## **October Events**

### **Fall Colors Run**

Hosted by: Jack and Sue Hinkle

Pam and Dave Hunt October 4, 2008 9:00 am

Starting Point: Mazda of Escondido

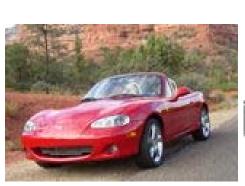
Please join us on a run to search for Fall Colors and entertain our Miata friends from the *Sahuaro Miata Club*. Mazda of Escondido will be hosting us for coffee and donuts. Drivers meeting promptly at 9:45 with a planned departure at 10:00 am. We will wind through the streets of Rancho Santa Fe and Fairbanks Ranch in search of Fall Colors take in a few beach towns with ocean views and head east to drive some of the twisties. A late lunch stop has been planned at the Lake Wolhford Cafe between 2:30 and 3:00 in the afternoon.



#### Founders' Run

Saturday, October 25 Rainer and Marianne Mueller

Ok, so Rainer is in Germany and can't send information on the Run to the newsletter. But it's planned! Honest! So save the morning and be ready to go when Rainer gets around to telling us when, where and what!!!! ©









Halloween Fun Run

Saturday, October 25, 2008

Meet at Dalton's Road House 2:45PM Driver's Meeting Prompt Departure at 3:00PM

We will enjoy some twisties as we wind our way to the Del Mar Fairgrounds and take in the scary events of the Annual Del Mar Scream Zone, after grabbing a BITE to eat.

There are three events included for the \$27.99 ticket price; The Chamber, Haunted Hayride and the anticipated Haunted House.

It should be a screaming good time, and plenty of time to join us after the Founder's Run.

Details to follow, please contact David and Kari Streeter at (949) 254-8989 or davidstreeter@yahoo.com

# **Coming Events**

Take our journey through one of mankind's greatest achievements....

# The Automobile at the Peterson Automotive Museum.



Explore the evolution of the Automobile and its impact on our culture. Experience the last 100 years of automotive history at the museum. There is always something new to discover for the whole family.

We will be meeting at the McDonalds parking lot once again on Oceanside Blvd. Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:45AM Driver's Meeting 8:00AM Prompt departure.

Our hosted tour begins at 11:30AM and will take 2 hours.

Parking is **FREE**, provided you are in your Miata and tickets are only \$6.00, which will be purchased on site.

This is a collection not to be missed. For those interested, we will explore some twisties and grab a bite to eat on our return trip to the San Diego area.

I have secured space for 40 people. Please contact me to added to the attendee list.

David and Kari Streeter at <a href="mailto:davidstreeter@yahoo.com">davidstreeter@yahoo.com</a> (949) 254-8989 Mobile



### 23rd Annual Christmas Cruise for Kids

Sunday, December 14th

Meet at 7:30am, Leaving promptly at 7:45am, Show is 8am to 2pm

Park and Ride @ Vista Sorrento Pkwy, just North of Mira Mesa Blvd and I-805

Contact: Mike Schwartz, 858-549-4344 (evenings) or cell:858-449-2855 (day of event)

Come join us for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Christmas Cruise for Kids benefiting the YMCA Family Stress Counseling Services. This "show" is open to ALL makes, models and years so there is always a variety of cars that show up. The first 200 cars through the gate get a dash plaque and ribbon. A FREE pancake breakfast is a great way to start the morning and games, raffles and a live auction keep the day going. Fun for all and it helps children to boot. Lets show everyone why SDMC is one of the biggest and best car clubs in the county, if not the state or U.S. Also, you do not need a show car to attend nor do you need to stay until 2pm. What is really needed it toys, toys, toys! Everyone is welcomed!

Cost: New, Unwrapped Toy's) and/or Cash Donations

Meeting Location Directions: From South - Take I-805 North to Vista Sorrento Pkwy exit, turn left at light and left into first driveway (Park and Ride). From North - Take I-805 South, exit Mira Mesa Blvd., turn left. Go under 805 and turn left at Vista Sorrento Pkwy (first light), turn left into first driveway (after light) into the Park and Ride.

## Membership

### **Our Mission**

The purpose of the club is to promote the enjoyment of, and enthusiasm for, one of the world's most exciting sports cars—the Mazda Miata.

Owning and driving a Miata is one of life's great pleasures, and adding the company and camaraderie of like-minded enthusiasts only enhances the experience. Won't you join the fun as we enjoy the beauty of San Diego County from the seat of a very special little roadster?

Let's have fun driving our Miatas!

## **Monthly Meetings**

Our monthly meetings are a low club members, ask questions, and share stories. Meetings are each month, except in November have fun. and December when we meet on the third Thursday.

We meet at the Boll Weevil restaurant, 9330 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., in San Diego (between I-15 and SR 163). To contact the restaurant, call 858-571-6225.

Many members arrive around 6 great opportunity to meet your fel- p.m. to enjoy meals, snacks, or for either an individual or a dual beverages while chatting with their Miata friends. The informal meeting held on the fourth Thursday of starts at 7 p.m. We guarantee you'll

### This month's meeting date:

Thursday, October 23

### Dues

Dues are \$35 per calendar year, membership (two members in the same household). Members who ioin the club in the first half of the calendar year (January through June) pay \$35 for their first year; those who join in the second half of the year pay \$20 for the remainder of the year.



Paul Newman

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## **Badges**

Have you noticed those engraved plastic name badges that other members wear? Would you like to get one?

Badges are available in colors to match your car. The cost is \$10 each for badges with safety-pin closures, or \$11 each for badges with magnetic fasteners. Prices include shipping to your home.

Sue Hinkle handles the ordering. Badge request forms are available at the Regalia table at monthly meetings and on the club's web site. All orders must be prepaid.

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#### **CLUB E-MAIL**

Most club communication is conducted via e-mail through a Yahoo Group named SDMC-List. A free Yahoo account is required. Follow these steps to join.

- Go to http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/ group/SDMC-List (capitalization matters!).
- 2. Click "Join This Group!"
- If you have a Yahoo account, log in. If you do not, click "Sign Up" and follow the instructions.
- 4. After logging in, you will be returned to the SDMC-List "Join This Group" page.
- 5. In "Comment to Owner," state that you are an SDMC member.
- 6. Complete remaining selections, perform Word Verification, and click the "Join" button.
- Your SDMC membership will be verified. The verification and approval process may take several days.

For more detailed instructions, see the club's website.

#### MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

The membership roster is available to SDMC members only. Follow these steps to access the roster.

- 1. Go to http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/ group/SDMC-List.
- 2. Log in and click "Database"
- 3. Click on the most current table in the tables list
- 4. To print, click "Printable Report." The printed copy will be 15–20 pages.

For more detailed instructions and op tions, see the club's web site.

# **Member Discounts**

any vendors offer discounts to Miata Club members. The club does not endorse these vendors, but lists them as a membership benefit. Some offers may require you to show a current SDMC membership card.

Businesses that wish to be listed must offer a discount from their normal retail prices to SDMC members. Listings are limited to five lines (about 30-35 words). Contact newsletter @sandiegomiataclub.org for more information.

#### **Automotive Services**

Allen's Wrench. Mazda Master Technician. 1620 Grand Avenue, San Marcos. 760-744-1192. Discount: 10% (except oil changes).

American Battery. Miata batteries & all other batteries. 525 West Washington, Escondido. 760-746-8010. Contact: Jeff Hartmayer. Discount: Fleet discount on all products.

**Express Tire**. Auto repair, tires. 12619 Poway Road, Poway. 858-748-6330. Manager: David Dolan. Discount: 10% on parts and labor, including tires.

Good-Win Racing LLC. Miata intakes, exhausts, shocks, springs, & goodies from Racing Beat, Moss, and more. www.goodwin-racing.com. 858-775-2810. Special club price on everything.

**Hawthorne Wholesale Tire**. Tires, wheels, brakes, and suspension. 877 Rancheros Dr., San Marcos. 760-746-6980. Discount: 10%

**Just Dings Ltd**. Mobile paintless dent removal. 858-569-3464. Discount: 15%

**Kesler Customs**. Miata chassis braces, adjustable dead pedals, hide-away license plate brackets. Installation of aftermarket parts, fabrication, light welding. Ted Kesler, 619-421-8472. Special club prices.

**Knobmeister Quality Images**. 3595 Gray Circle, Elbert, CO 80106-9652. Joe Portas, *joe @knobmeister.com*. 303-730-6060.

**Langka Corp.** Guaranteed paint chip and scratch repair system. Cleaning, detailing, and restoration products. 800-945-4532. *www.langka.com.* Discount: 30%.

Larry Dennstedt's Auto Repair. 4283 41st Street, San Diego. 619-284-4911. Discount: 10% on labor.

Lutz Tire & Service. Alignment special-

ist, tires. 2853 Market Street, San Diego. 619-234-3535. Ask for Mike. Discount: 10% on parts (tires not included).

Magnolia Auto Body. Restorations, body work. 476 West Main Street, El Cajon. 619-562-7861. Ask for T.J. Discount: 10% on labor and parts.

Porterfield Enterprises Ltd. Brake pads, rotors. 1767 Placentia Ave., Costa Mesa. 949-548-4470. Discount: 15% on Porter-field & Hawk brake pads; \$10 off rotors; \$9.25 for Motul 600 brake fluid (1 pint).

**Smog Squad**. 3342 Rosecrans, San Diego. 619-223-8806. General Manager: Jose Munoz. Discount: \$10 on smog tests.

**Thompson Automotive**. Cool accessories for our cool cars; oil filter relocation kits, gauge kits, air horns, brakes, Voodoo knobs, & MORE. www.thompsonautomotive.com. 949-366-0322. Discount: 10%

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#### **Mazda Dealerships**

**Chapman Mazda**. Phoenix. 877-684-5803. Ask for John Mardueno. Discount: 20% on Mazda parts and accessories.

**Mazda of Escondido.** 760-737-3200. Discount: 20% on most parts; 15% on labor (not including smog certification). For purchase, ask for Barb and receive free SDMC membership for 1 year!

**Westcott Mazda**. National City. 619-474-1591. Discount: 15% on parts or labor (except oil changes).

#### **Other Services**

Coldwell Banker Real Estate. David T. Bryan, Realtor. 619-334-4625. david-bryan@coldwellbanker.com. Free market analysis. No transaction fees for SDMC members or referrals!

Linsco Private Ledger. Fee-based planner. Wealth management, estate, retirement, and investment planning. Free consultation and 15% discount on all fees. Hernan Hooker, BCE. 619-542-0822.

Rosin & Associates. Attorneys at law. Accidents, insurance issues, general civil law. No recovery, no fee. Anita Rosin, anita.rosin@rosinlaw.com. 619-543-9600. Discount: 10% on attorneys fees

## Classifieds

FOR SALE:Torsen differential complete with drive shaft and axles \$800 Fits 1990 through 1997 as an upgrade. Cat back exhaust system fits 1990 through 1997, \$200. 1999 intake manifold complete with injectors \$350. 1999 engine, 1999 and 1995 transmissions. All kinds of Miata parts Wallymiata@gmail.com or call 619-234-2858 Wally Stevens

Momo steering wheel with adapter---\$150.00 like new. Tonneau cover-tan- fits 1999 and newer- like new -\$200.00. Trailer hitch and buddy tire rack (will sell separately) \$300.00 This fits 99 and newer and will carry a set of tires behind the rear bumper. Dennstedt 619-284-4911 m-f

Buying or selling your Miata or Miata accessories? You can do it for free on Miatamart—the Miata for Sale web site, run by SDMC member Rainer Mueller. Check it out at www.miatamart.com.

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## **October & November Events**

| DATE                    | Event                                    | Тіме  | Меет   | Contact                                      |
|-------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Saturday<br>Oct. 4      | Fall Colors Run and<br>Zonies Visit      | 9 AM  | Mazda of Escondido   | Sue & Jack Hinkle and/<br>or Pam & Dave Hunt |
| Friday-Sun<br>Oct 17-19 | Oktoberfest Weekend at<br>Big Bear       | Must have reservations at Big Bear and arrangements in advance with Diane |  | Diane Foster<br>(760)703-2020                |
| Thursday<br>Oct. 23     | Monthly Meeting                          | 6 PM Eat<br>7 PM Meet   | Boll Weevil Restaurant<br>9330 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.,<br>San Diego (between I-15 & SR<br>163). | President@sandiegomiat aclub.org             |
| Saturday<br>Oct. 25     | Founders' Run                            | Details to follow on email list   |  | Rainer Mueller                               |
| Saturday<br>Oct. 25     | Halloween Fun Run                        | 2:45 PM   | Dalton's Roadhouse<br>Nordahl and Hwy 78<br>San Marcos   | President@<br>sandiegomiataclub.org          |
| Saturday<br>Nov. 22     | Petersen Auto Museum<br>Caravan and Tour | 7:45 AM   | McDonald's Parking Lot<br>I-5 and Oceanside Blvd.  | President@<br>sandiegomiataclub.org          |