

Southwest Missouri Miata Club

Hug your curves!!

Meetings 2nd Saturday of the month

Aug/Sept 2015



We had such a good time at Lonnie & Janice's on July 11! Lonnie smoked some meat, Janice prepared a roasted chicken and other yummys and everyone brought a contribution to share. It was great! A big THANK YOU to Lonnie & Janice for hosting us yet again. You guys are awesome!



SW Missouri Miata Club

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SUMMER TIME!



Louisburg Cider Mill & Country Store
14730 K68 Highway,
Louisburg, Kansas, USA 66053-8223

NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FOR AUG!

Aug. 22 – The date has changed for the August meet/drive. We will have an all day run to Louisburg Cider Mill in Louisburg, KS. They use a 2,000 year old cider & rootbeer making method! YUMM! We will leave from Cracker Barrel in Springfield at 9:00 a.m., first stop at the truck stop in Collins, MO, at 10:00 a.m. where we will meet up with Lonnie & Janice; then on to Paola, KS, where we have lunch reservations at The BBQ Shack, 1613 E Peoria St, Paola, KS 66071 (913) 294-5908. This place was featured on Diners, Drive-ins and Dives with Guy Fieri! We are excited to check them out.

It will be about an hour's drive to Collins; then another 2 hours to the restaurant. The cider mill is nearby.

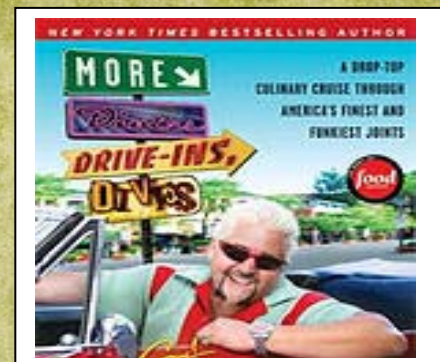
More plans!

Sept. 12 The Fudge's are planning an outing to Dogwood Canyon for this month. More details later.

Oct. 10 Trip to Hermann Winery for Octoberfest. More details later.

Nov. 11 - Our club will once again participate in the annual Veteran's Day parade in Branson, MO. More details later.

Dec. 19 - Annual Christmas dinner and ornament exchange. More details later.





Cleaning Power Window Switch

by Aaron A Trompeter

A dirty power window switch can cause your Miata's windows to hesitate, or refuse, to go up. A new switch costs well over a hundred dollars and is worth it if the alternative is to leave the windows down. But if the money you would spend on a new switch can be used for something better, then try cleaning the old switch before you purchase a new one. You have to take the vehicle apart one way or the other, so why not? First call the dealer to see if they have a switch on hand and check the price. (This is a common, profitable, problem, so they usually do.) If they do, try fixing the one you take out before you spend that money. It's an easy process.

The first thing you will need to do is take out the center console. This will require you to remove the shift knob (loosen the keeper pin on the bottom of the knob) first. There are a few screws you must then remove and the whole center console will pull up. Be careful with the attached wires and take note of how they are fed and fastened through the system.

The power window switch can be unplugged from the harness quite easily. There are then three screws that fasten it to the console. Remove those screws and the switch is free.

Holding the power window switch face down in your palm, you will see a Phillips head screw in the center of all the wires. Remove that screw and the switch will come apart with a little persuasion. Do this over a table or other work surface because there are little parts that can fall out. Set the loose parts to the side. Turn the switch over and you

will see the dirty contact points. Take a small wire brush to them and clean the contact points on the plastic backing.

After you complete that, take the four (4) rocker switches and, while holding with a pair of pliers, clean with the wire brush. Don't go too crazy with the scrubbing brush, this is a delicate switch.

When you have finished brushing the buildup from the contact points, reassemble the switch. The rocker switches go in only one way, so you won't mix them up. Once you have the switch reassembled, plug it back into the wiring harness and test it with the power turned on in your car. Do not reassemble to whole center console before you test it. It may not work for you, and you may have to run up to the dealer for a new switch.

If it works, put it all back together and enjoy the money you saved. If not, well, lets hope it was the switch in the first place!

Please contact me if you have articles of interest or helpful comments to include in the next newsletter. I'd love to have your input!

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