

A Little Car News



The Monthly Newsletter of the Central Texas Micronuts Car Club in Austin, Texas

October 2003 Edition

Next Micronuts meeting is Thursday, October 9th at Rudy's Barbeque on Loop 360 at 7:00 PM. Please join us for another barbeque 'n bull session.



First of all, thanks to everyone for contacting us with your email addresses and updated information. Email is the

winner by a landslide! Besides drastically cutting costs and production time, we now have virtually unlimited space for more news.

Please let us know how your project(s) is coming even if you just got fed up and punched a .38 slug through your engine block. Also, if you're having a problem, have a question, are looking for a part of have a tip to pass along, this is a good place to do it.



We throw out news about members, their cars, and upcoming events all the time. This issue, it might be worth mentioning some of the

services that are available to vintage car owners and restorers here in the Central Texas area. One of those vendors who had done work for several members is Commercial Services. Larry Norton and his wife Sherry run a turnkey blasting and powder coating facility at 2008 Avenue N, just off Howard Lane about halfway between 1325 and I-35. They also have a facility in Pflugerville that provides powder services only and does business under the name Powder Coating, Inc. Whether its getting the crud off of a frame and/or having a professional powder coating job done, they can deliver the goods.

If you're considering painting something, you might want to give Larry and Sherry a call at 251-7714 or drop by and check out their work. You can visit their web site at www.commercialservicesco.com. Powder coating is a terrific alternative to paint and will sure extend the life of whatever components you have 'em blast 'n shoot.



What have we here? Looks like Andy and Janey Amescua getting ready to hang a left off of 11th Street on to Congress Avenue to an unsuspecting crowd of 65,00 folks at last year's

Chuy's Children Giving To Children Parade. Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 29th and get those micros and minis spiffed up.

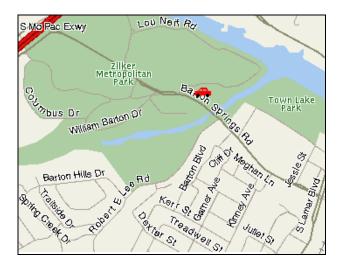


The upcoming issue of *Minutia*, FOB your mailbox around the end of October, will feature the follow-up article to Tackling Your Isetta's Electrical System / Part One by Bruce Fullerton.

Intriguing topics such as tail light bulbs and making gaskets from empty Cap'n Crunch boxes will be discussed in detail. It will sort of make some sense when you read it. Sort of.



Sandy Jones from Fort Collins, Colorado sent us this pic of his 1957 Isetta convertible just back from the paint shop. You oughta see his 1934 "Bonnie & Clyde" Ford Sedan. Neat!



What's that little red car doing in the middle of Zilker Park? It's either Carl Jensen's Isetta or an early arrival for the 2003 Central Texas Microcar Roundup. We're on the books for Saturday, November 8th from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM.

Everyone is welcome to bring their cars and friends for another day of fun. There is no charge to enter your car and there's no admission fee so grab a couple of lawn chairs and show up. If you can, please let us know if you're going to show your car. We have the whole **Cedar Grove parking lot** so there will be room for plenty of micro iron.

Prior to the show, we'll be taking a head count for those of you who are interested in a catered **Rudy's Barbeque lunch**. If you're not in the mood for 'que, bring along a picnic lunch instead.



Achtung Isetta and BMW 600 owners! We've just received word from Werner Schwark of Isettas-R-Us that he came across a gold mine of new old stock parts

that have been in storage in Canada for many years. From the pix he emailed down to us, it looks like he has everything from roundels to wiper motors to Bing fuel bowl assemblies to new engine blocks to you-name-it. Give Werner a call at (770) 924-8530 or email him at

<u>isettas@bellsouth.net</u> and let him know what you're looking for.



Hollywood facelift? No, not yet. Our amigo Claudi Etcheverry just emailed us a few shots of his new ride being unloaded after taking months, money and a lawyer (imagine that) to get his car from South America to Barcelona, Spain. Claudi plans on making the car over and getting it back on the road again ASAP.

In next month's issue of ALCN we'll check in with Manfried Koster's micro restoration projects in Pretoria, South Africa. It will be interesting to find out if he and his sons have snuck any more cars past his wife's watchful eye. We can also polish off those licorice jellybeans that nobody has touched since Halloween night.

If you have any news for publication, request to add someone to the email list or suggestions for *A Little Car News*, please contact Bruce Fullerton at (512) 458-1144 or brucef@austin.rr.com.

