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## January Club Dinner

Our president has scheduled the club's annual winter dinner for January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 o'clock. This is a "talk about cars" event as the weather is usually not conducive for driving our cars. If the weather is bad or roadster is in storage, Miata Support Vehicles are allowed to be driven to this meeting!

We're getting together at Sir Walters on the south side. Best known for their steaks, sandwiches, "tea-cup" bread, and gigantic baked potatoes, this is a bar and grille. The restaurant offers a traditional American menu with a menu based largely on sandwiches and steaks. Expect the average entrée to cost roughly \$12 to \$20, and dress is casual.

Located near the intersection of Thompson and Emerson (5209 East Thompson Road), it's easy to find. Take 465 to the Emerson Avenue exit and go south to the Kmart shopping center at Emerson and Thompson Road. It's easier to turn left at the Thompson Road stoplight and take an immediate right into the parking lot, but you can also go straight through the light and turn left directly into Kmart. Sir Walters is in the strip center right behind the Dairy Queen.

Register on the website, send Ben an email at president@indymiata.org, or call 317-727-1401 to let him know you are attending. Please register early so he can let them know how many people to expect.



## Holiday Party Was Fun For All

There's something about hearing, "Miata Club, party of 60, your table is ready"! Once again, the old Spaghetti Factory was the setting for the annual Indy Miata Club Holiday Party. Early arrivals gathered in the upstairs bar area, greeted new and old friends and started chatting about cars, Colts and other topics.

The call came and we were escorted to our dining area. Once again, the service and food were both excellent.

After dinner, outgoing President Jay Hofacker performed his last official acts for 2004, holding elections and presiding over the gift exchange. Ben Hermann automatically moved into the President's slot and Rick Booe was elected as our new Vice President. Craig Johnson was elected to fill the vacant Membership Director's position with the other positions remaining the same (Chuck Wills - Treasurer, Jim Nutt - Webmaster, Sara J McBride- Open Road Editor).

The gift exchange proved to be the usual lively affair with "oohs and ahhs" as gifts were opened and "steals" happened at a fast pace.

After the gift exchange, Jay was presented with a collage of photos from all the 2004 events and Ben Hermann spoke to the group about the upcoming year.

Thank you to Jay for arranging the dinner and to all who attended.

More photos can be found at the News section at <http://indymiata.org>.



So many gifts to open, so many gifts to steal!

(L) Susan looks for a gift to open, while (R) Mike seems to be thinking about a steal!

