

Motor City Beemers



Club Newsletter



BMW MOA Club #231 BMW RA Club #209

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All meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30AM at BMW of Detroit Our *next* meeting is scheduled for February 12th

Following Meeting: March 12th

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THE PREZ SEZ

The winter is almost half over and I am getting that itch to ride the bike. I miss that feeling of power and control as you head on down the road. I started looking at the bike to make sure nothing has sprung a leak or that there are any obvious problems that need to be addressed before the spring. Just need to air up the tires and I am ready to go.

It has been too icy around my place to even take the bike out on one of those sunny afternoons just to let it stretch it's legs. I live in a low spot which means riding up a hill going either way from my house. Both hills have been ice covered for the last few weeks. So I sit and dream of those days where I can take the bike out and ride. I hope you all join in on the fun this year when we do start to ride again. We have a lot of club rides coming up this year. In addition to that the BMW MOA and RA both have their rallies relatively close. The MOA rally is in Pennsylvania and the RA in Wisconsin. Come on out and join in, make the club everything you want it to be.

Respectfully, John Saarinen

OFFICERS FOR 2011

We have a few new, and a few old officers. These volunteers were unanimously accepted by the membership at the December meeting. I would like to introduce them for the 2011 calendar year.

President – John Saarinen; runs the monthly club meetings, holds officers meetings, provide direction for activities.

First Vice President – Maury Feuerman; Organizes the three main activities for the club 1) Frankenmuth Chicken Dinner Run, 2) Steak Picnic in September, and 3) Mid-Winter Dinner, and fills in for President when needed.

Second Vice President – Rhys Blair; Acts as ride coordinator: gets volunteers to choose rides following monthly meetings and track other large club rides.

Treasurer – Allen Gigliotti; Maintains organization financial records, deliver reports, collect dues, etc.

Newsletter Editor – Bob Hann; Oversees publication of the monthly newsletter and related duties.

Webmaster – Ives Potrafka; Provides and manages the web site.

We want to thank these members for stepping forward to serve the members. Please at sometime thank these members for their efforts.

Proposed CHANGES TO THE CLUBS BY-LAWS

The proposed changes to the clubs By-Laws were accepted by a majority of the members present at the December meeting. They are available on our website.

CLUB EVENTS

MID-WINTER DINNER, FEBRUARY 5, 2011

This is just a friendly reminder about the Mid Winter Dinner this Saturday (February 5th) at 6:30PM at Villa Penna's. Villa's Penna's is on Hayes about 1/2 mile south of M-59 on the west side of the street. If you have a MCBeemer name tag please wear it. There will be name tags available for those that don't have one at Penna's.

I am looking forward to seeing you all there.

Club Rides

ALWAYS IN SEARCH OF NEW DESTINATIONS

We would all enjoy going to new places . . . you don't have to lead the ride but it would be helpful if you know a fun route to get there. *It's easy!* Just tell us a little bit about the restaurant and provide a route to follow at least a week before the meeting. It can be as simple as a list of turn points or as complicated as a MapQuest map. Bring at least 5 or 6 copies so we can pick ride leaders and break up into smaller groups at the meeting.

Date	Lunch Ride Location	Ride Planner
February 12	Ride TBA	(need ride planner)

BLOOMBURG, PA RALLY

At the January meeting of the MCBeemers, I have been asked to get a note out to our members about the MOA Rally in Bloomsburg, PA. This rally is July 21st-24th, 2011. It is anticipated to be the largest BMW Rally to date with over 10,000 potential attendees. Some of our members expressed an interest in the club riding out in smaller groups...but making it a club function. The trip is approximately 450 miles by expressway, longer if you take back roads. These groups could be organized by the type of roads you want to take out there. Some have expressed an interest in making it a 2 day trip to enjoy the back roads and the sights along the way. Further interest was expressed in the college suites being offered to MOA members instead of camping or motels. Motels are said to have booked up already. These are 3 or 4 bedroom suits with a common area, shower, and kitchenette...no TV. The dorms have their kitchens and dining rooms open during the rally and check out the MOA magazine for details on their menus. They say the cost will be slightly less than a motel room but you can split it 3 or 4 ways.

If anyone is interested in riding out as a group (but in smaller groups) please contact me and I will start putting a list together. If you are interested in sharing one of these suits please send me an email telling me you want to get in one of the rooms. I will be contacting the school in the next few days to determine availability and how we can reserve some of these rooms.

Get back to me as soon as possible so we don't miss this opportunity.

Respectfully, John Saarinen

<u>Dinner Rides - Arrive between 6:30-7pm and hungry,</u>

February 2	Thai Orchid Cuisine	60 Cherry Street, Mount Clemens
February 9	Murphy Inn Murphy Inn	505 Clinton Avenue, St. Clair
February 16	Hamlin Pub	48929 Hayes Road, Shelby Township
February 23	Luigi's Downtown	104 Macomb Place, Mt. Clemens

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP BY JANUARY 31ST!

Yes, it's that time of year again when we need to renew our members and pay our dues. Dues remain at \$10 for a member and \$5 for an associate member. An associate member is anyone who is your child, spouse, or significant other. This remains one of the best deals available. Your membership pays for the doughnuts at our monthly meetings, the Frankenmuth chicken dinner in June and September's steak picnic.

And the best deal just got better . . . with a paid 2011 membership; you will be issued membership cards. These cards will entitle you to 10% discount on <u>most</u> in stock items at BMW of Detroit. Naturally, this offer *cannot* be combined with any other promotions and excludes motorcycles, labor and service installed parts.

Please renew by sending your renewal to Allen Gigliotti along with a check made out in his name.

Remember, following the February meeting we will change the password to the website and update the Yahoo Group e-mail. If you have not renewed you won't be getting the new password.

MOTOR CITY BEEMERS NAME TAGS

Motor City Beemer name tags are available for purchase at Highest Honor, Inc. Highest Honor, Inc is located at 34711 Dequindre Road, Troy, Michigan 48083. Their shop is just south of 15 Mile Road, on the west side of Dequindre. Herb and Jeff have a die set up with the club logo and can add your name and/or nickname for a cost of only \$8.00.

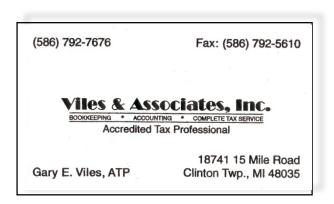
The easiest way to get your ID tag is to send Jeff an e-mail at: www.jeff@highesthonor.biz. Spell out exactly what you want on your tag and when you want to pick it up. You can also call Jeff at 248-588-7845. Tell him what you want on your tag and when you want to pick it up. You can have two lines of text, the first your name, and you can add a nick name as the second.

Join the growing number of members who proudly wear their ID tags with their one of a kind moniker. It will help us to get to know each other and sure works a lot better than "Hey you!"

NEWS FROM THE BEEMERSHIP

A tip of the MCBEEMER helmet . . .

... goes to **Viles & Associates**, **Inc.**, Ron's parents, who have volunteered to print the free copies of the newsletter available at the dealership. They are also BMW riders.





FOR SALE

2007 Ural Motorcycle with Sidecar

Tourist Model - 7000 Kilometers

Custom Handle Bars for Rider comfort

Auxiliary Light on Sidecar

Deep Supp Oil

Fairing and Lowers

Dealer Serviced

\$7600.00

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FOR SALE:

Caliber Pants (medium) Brand New Condition \$159

- ✓ 4 months old brand new condition!
- ✓ Size medium these pants run larger than normal. I'm 5'10", 180 lbs., 34-36" waist and it fits me fine.
- ✓ 100% waterproof & breathable Rainguard[™] shell
- ✓ Stretch materials in calf and inseam for comfortable fit
- ✓ Reinforced knees and seat
- ✓ Full length, quilted, zip-out liner
- ✓ Full length waterproof zippers along each leg for easy on and off
- ✓ Zippered, waterproof hand pockets
- ✓ Adjustable and removable armor
- ✓ Dual elastic waist and adjustable waist belts
- ✓ Zipper attachment for jacket

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PIAA Platinum "SuperWhite" Bulbs

- (1) H3 35W (performs like 60W)
- (2) H3 85W (performs like 135W)

All three bulbs are brand new, never used and still in their original containers.

... normally \$35 to \$40 each on sale: \$20 each \$50 for all three!

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K1200LT Shelf

http://www.ascycles.com/detail.aspx?ID=1960

List for \$90.00 . . . Will Sell for 25.00

Also . . . have smaller shelf that mounts where the BMW GPS bracket goes just above the center console where the radio controls are... Sorry no picture...

Will sell for \$20.00 EACH

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FOR SALE

Mens Reed Chaps-calf pockets added, waist 36-42, inseam 32 ,Like new! \$95.00

Womens Steer brand Chaps (small)(U.S.A.) inseam 26", waist adjustable Like New! \$75.00

Mens Fieldsheer M/C coat EX.COND. size 48 worn one season \$200.00

Womens leather pants size 8, waist 29, inseam 28. \$30.00

Cycloak - Gortex gloves size med. cold weather ,never worn.\$15.00

Womens Leather Vest button down size med. \$10.00

Leather mittens w/index finger, size small never worn. \$10.00

Leather mitten like new ,size small. \$5.00

Mens leather gloves (like new) size large.(G.P.Cycle). \$10.00

Leather-like Bra (never worn)(Fredericks)size 34B. \$8.00

Hot Grips Model STF, for street M/C's 6 or 12 volt ,15watts per grip, 7/8" handlebars (needs resister and hi-low switch. \$5.00

SHOEI Face Shields .1-tinted new GRV \$12.00 1-clear new GRV \$8.00 1-clear usedCX1.\$5.00

Face shields-3, tinted for 3/4 Helmet 3 for \$20.00

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