



# Motor City Beemers

## Club Newsletter



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All meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10:30AM at BMW of Detroit

Our *next* meeting is scheduled for October 12th

Following Meeting: November 10th

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### PREZ SEZ

Wow summer has flown right by! I hope you all have enjoyed the season. It was wonderful for me to enjoy your company. What a great group of members we have! The Steak Picnic was a success and a special thanks to all who volunteered to make it a special day and all who participated. Again great food and grrrrreat people. This gets better every year. Our fall color ride will be here in a couple weeks and if you can't participate in the overnighter maybe you can just ride to lunch. Its a really good place to eat and with super service! Thank you Ives! More details at our meeting! Speaking of the meeting.. We will be riding to Peck per Jim's suggestion. I have been there before and great food. Is this all I do is talk about food? Yes I like it! Don't forget there are always Wednesday nights too! Hope to see you at the meeting!

Cheers,

Betty "The Prez"

## **CLUB RIDES**

### **CLUB LUNCH RIDES**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Lunch Ride Destination</b>	<b>Ride Planner</b>
October 13 <sup>th</sup>	All You Can Eat Walleye - Peck, MI	Jim Mick
November 10 <sup>th</sup>	TBD	

### **Buckeye Beemer Rally, August 24-26**

Between the Hauta's, Kevin Sugg and his family & myself we represented the Motorcity Beemers at this year's Buckeye Beemer Rally at the Whispering Pines RV Park in Shreve, Ohio. Kevin's son Jason (shown right) won the youngest rider and youngest combined rider/bike age. Who is that lady at Jason's left?



### **GOING SOMEWHERE**

*A few of us had our picture taken with a wedding party that arrived later in the afternoon.*

- Who says the Motor City Beemers can't crash (Oops...sorry...wrong word.) join a party? (left to right) Cathy, Pete, Denise, Betty, Brad, Brett and Beth congratulate Denise on her eventful day.
- Can you identify the newest Motor City Beemer? Hint: She's the one without bugs in her teeth and steak juice stains on her riding outfit.
- Beth (far right) indicates how many pieces of wedding cake she and husband Natan scarfed down before the wedding party realized they weren't invited to the beach reception.
- After the photo, Denise promised to meet us next year, same time - same place, and repeat her vows if we all showed her our tattoos.
- With a "Preferred Member" card these Motor City Beemers are, as you can see, entitled to benefits not normally included in the annual steak cookout.
- Denise was so enthralled with our vibrant, effusive and vociferous personalities she kept asking, "So, when is your Frankenmuth lunch ride next year?"
- The entire wedding party exuded high spirits and joy on this momentous occasion. Funny thing though...we don't recall seeing a groom.



*From the tank bag of Pete Lentini*

2012 Color Tour; October 20-21, 2012

So, if you have never been on our annual color tour, let me give you a little history. The color tour was originally founded by our own Ryan and Rhys Blair. It was a cozy little group that took our sleeping bags and stayed at the Blair Cabin at Lake of the North. I am not really sure how long we have been doing this, but I think it is about 15 years or so.

On my very first color tour, we had a wonderful supper at Leggs Inn and then road to the cabin, about 15-20 miles in the rain and snow . . . *about 3 inches of sticky wet snow by the time we made the 2.5-hour ride.*

Don't let that scare you. I have been leading the ride since Rhys retired as ride leader a few years back and the weather has been fairly cooperative. We had a little rain one year, but no more snow.

Leggs Inn is located at Cross Village, at the north end of the tunnel of trees. They are very traditional Polish Restaurant and the weekend of October 20th is there last weekend of the season. So the menu is sometimes limited, but the food is always great.

This is about a 600 mile weekend, give or take and we have a planned route up on Saturday and everyone tends to go their own way home on Sunday. There will be a route home, but I leave between 8-9AM, so if you plan on sleeping in, better plan of finding your own way home too... :)

Here are the details (*as they say, the fine print*) to get signed up . . .

FIRST... If you have not PAID yet, please do not consider yourself registered for a place in one of the three cabins I have reserved....

READ ON FOR MORE INFO....

One group will leave the dealership at 8:00AM sharp.... (*I need a ride leader for this group*)

Others will meet at Hope Junctions, on M-54, just west of Montrose City, MI at 10:00AM.

I will be at this location... this is a breakfast / lunch (brunch) stop and while we will take regular rest breaks, we will not be stopping for food until dinner at Leggs Inn.

We will leave Hope Junction at 11:00AM sharp.....

The rest of the details follow.....GPS routes will be coming as we get closer to the date...

IF YOU GOING ON THE COLOR TOUR I NEED YOUR MONEY TO HOLD THE CABINS...

I have reserved three cabins at Leggs Inn for our annul color tour ride.

The cost remains the same.... \$25.00 each as long as we fill the cabin... unfilled cabins will split the cost equally amongst the number of riders in the cabins. NO Exceptions... First Come First Served Basis.

The cabins have 2 bedrooms each with a queen size bed... and 2 day beds.... a total of 4 can comfortable sleep in each cabin.

Couples in the bedroom are charged as 1. Bedrooms go to couples first and then on a first come, first served basis to others. I will not hold cabins for any couple unless they have paid before September 31st, 2012.

In order to get a spot in a cabin you MUST pay in advance. Please pay the \$25.00 to myself directly as the cabins are reserved in my name.

Payment can be mailed to:Ives Potrafka, 645 McMunn Streeet, South Lyon,

MI 48178

ALL payments must be received no later than the October 11th meeting...

If you need more info, I will be at the club meeting September & October or you can call me at 248-207-1575 or email me at <mailto:ives@40bizblvd.net>

Ives Potrafka

**DINNER RIDES** – *Arrive between 6:30-7pm and hungry,*

October 3 <sup>rd</sup>	The Raft	7707 Dyke Road, Ira
October 10 <sup>th</sup>	Camp Ticonderoga	5725 Rochester Road, Troy
October 17 <sup>th</sup>	Pat O'Brien's Tavern	22385 E. 10 Mile Road, St. Clair Shores
October 24 <sup>th</sup>	Apple Orchard Inn	62840 Van Dyke Road, Washington
October 30 <sup>th</sup>	Capri Club	6343 Dyke Road, Clay

## **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**

It is that time of the year to renew your membership in Motor City Beemers. There is a form included in the newsletter to make the job of renewing easier. The dues stayed the same at \$10 for the primary member and \$5 for the associate member. An associate member must be associated with a primary member. This allows you to attend the Chicken dinner ride to Frankenmuth and steak picnic near Port Huron. The club picks up the cost of the chicken dinner and the steaks. The dues also cover the cost of donuts at the meetings. We need members to renew as early as possible so we can figure out a budget for the year. Send renewals to Allen Gigliotti; [giglioa@comcast.net](mailto:giglioa@comcast.net)

## **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](mailto: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.

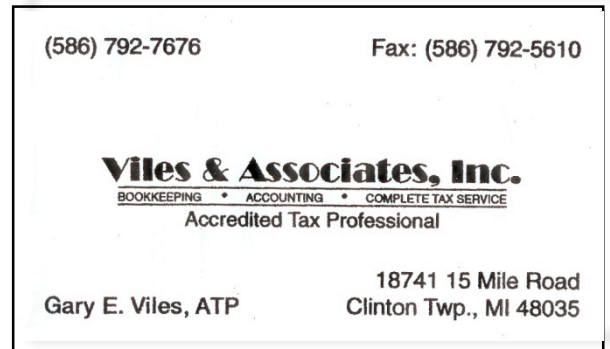
Join the growing number of members who proudly wear their ID tags with their one of a kind moniker. It will help us to get to know each other and sure works a lot better than “Hey you!”



## 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.



### *Yes, they're finally in . . .*

. . . and not in the usual prostate gray or navy blue. The shelves now boast long and short sleeve shirts in brilliant and pleasingly unique colors (...at least for the shop!) We're talkin' teal, gold, umber, violet, sand, rust, lime green, pink, chartreuse, and more! And limited women sizes too! And of course the classic black and white . . . especially in long sleeve.

Come on in and pick up some new, colorful BMW Detroit shirts and support the shop. You may want to stop by soon and beat the rush during our next, Oct. 13th club meeting.

HINT: they would make great gifts for that out of state BMW owner friend of yours.

## **FOR SALE**

### 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!**

Pete 586.978.3956 [petelentini@yahoo.com](mailto:petelentini@yahoo.com)



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## **FOR SALE**

### **"MICK-O-Pegs"**

Spring Loaded Highway Pegs  
for your R1200RT or your  
K1200LT.

Look at  
[www.ridingiswonderful.com](http://www.ridingiswonderful.com) to  
find information.

## **For Sale . . .**

2-piece (comfort seat) for my 2009 R1200RT

Also my 2007 R1200R is for sale at the dealership with all the extras  
Price?? We can talk. [crazybet@comcast.net](mailto:crazybet@comcast.net)

## **For Sale . . .**

Recently acquired Corbin front and rear seats, with front seat backrest, for a K12LT.  
If anyone in the group is interested, I will let you pop a squat on it before diving in,  
and cut a member discount if you decide you want the set. If you are interested,  
email me, [laynerstewart@gmail.com](mailto:laynerstewart@gmail.com) and we will set something up.

# FOR SALE

## Motoport "Canyon" Pants - size small

- ✓ A few years old but worn about 3 times! - **Absolutely like new!**
- ✓ 100% waterproof & breathable DuPont Cordura™ shell
- ✓ Full length mesh non-stick lining
- ✓ Stretch material behind calf for comfort
- ✓ Accordion pleats above knees for comfort
- ✓ Reinforced knees and seat
- ✓ (1) snap & (3) zippered pockets
- ✓ 12" zipper in calf for easy removal
- ✓ Removable armor in the hips and knees
- ✓ Elastic waist at sides and rear plus adjustable waist belt
- ✓ Similar to the new Cordura Light Pant only w/o the removable lining & full leg zippers.

Price reduced \$45  
**\$75**

Link to website:

[www.motoport.com/\\_product\\_35443/Ultra\\_II\\_Cordura\\_Light\\_Pant](http://www.motoport.com/_product_35443/Ultra_II_Cordura_Light_Pant)

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