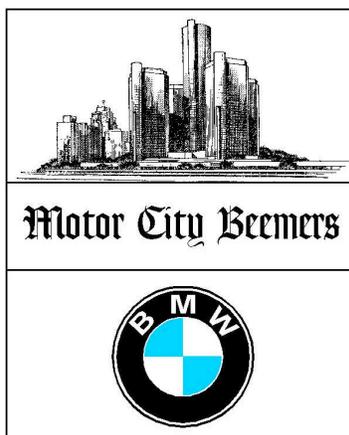




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THE PREZ SEZ

Well... we haven't seen any snow yet...(it's Christmas Day) but the k1200LT is put away for the season. I have already sent in my GPS (the screen had a water shadow) and it came back last week. There have been a few days I wished it was not put away, but I fought off the urge and left it in the garage.

Santa was pretty good to me...My wife got me a new CB (or gave me the money for it) for the K1200LT and a BMW Police Hat and Shirt (Thanks Frank). Santa ME - bought myself a new Macintosh 24 inch iMac...and I love it....

Already got the winter blues...spring cant come fast enough....

Gotta go for now...

Ride Safe...

Ives R. Potrafka
President - MC Beemers

2007 CLUB DUES DUE

Dues for 2007 are due. Remember that dues are \$10 for Members and \$5 for Associate Member (member's significant other). Please give Sharon Saarinen your dues with Membership Form at the next meeting, or mail them to:

Sharon Saarinen
6094 Whispering Oak Drive
Washington, Michigan 48094

Make checks payable to Motor City Beemers or Sharon Saarinen and include Membership Form. We need these dues to cover things like the doughnuts, Frankenmuth Chicken Dinner, and the steak picnic in the fall.

OPEN HOUSE AND CHRISTMAS PARTY AT BEEMERSHIP

I arrived at the Beemership Saturday, December 16th for the Christmas Party/Open house at 11:30Am. The party was in full swing. Luckily I rode my bike. There wasn't a parking space to be had for a car. The parking lots for the restaurant and food store were being used for the overflow. The store was wall to wall people. I saw quite a few club members milling around enjoying the food and camaraderie of the crowd. The crew at the Beemership out did themselves with a great food buffet...loved them brownies. They raffled off a BMW bar stool. I didn't catch the name of the winner but I would say even when sitting at home during the winter he can sit on his BMW...even in his basement.

GENERAL

Reminder: A vote at the May Meeting confirmed unanimously that we will continue our policy to no longer send the MCBeemers Club Newsletter by snail-mail. Everyone with an e-mail address will have access via the internet. Anyone not connected via the internet can still pick up a copy at the Beemership.

Any body interested in joining the RA (Rides Association) please give Sharon Saarinen your name and membership number when you renew your club membership. Membership forms for the RA are at the Beemership next to the newsletters. We need 10 members to get the clubs fee waved.

MANUFACTURES INVESTIGATING ELECTRIC & FUEL CELL MOTORCYCLES

In an attempt to increase fuel economy and reduce dependence on oil motorcycle manufactures are looking at electric and fuel cell technology. Honda has shown a fuel cell scooter to the press. This scooter is based on a current 125cc gas powered bike. Yamaha has demonstrate a hybrid scooter that has both electric and gas propulsion systems.

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.

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

MONTHLY CLUB RIDES

We are looking for ideas of where to go and what to do after our winter meetings.

OTHER RIDING OPPORTUNITIES

Third Sunday of every month – Phil Aylesworth is trying to get a Windsor Beemer group started in Canada. For details contact Phil, purpleduck@gmail.com or go to the group's website: <http://SunParlourBeemers.org>

FOR SALE:

For sale section of the newsletter is for all club members to post ANYTHING (legal) that they have for sale or wanted. Take advantage of a circulation of 90+ club members. You don't have to limit you postings to motorcycle items. The one thing that we ask is that once your items sells, please notify us so we can remove it from the newsletter. There are several items that have been posted for some time now. Please let John Saarinen know if they need to be removed.

1995 K1100 LT

All stock (bags, trunk, radio with rear speakers, heated grips, elec. windshield, gauges, touring seat) heavy metallic gun metal gray paint, new battery, new tires and all servicing done, including spline lube.

\$5200.00 Dale & Denise 734-789-8249

1986 K100 RT

New Black paint, new seat, very good tires, new battery, all service done, bags.

\$3500.00 Dale & Denise 734-789-8249

I would like to buy a used low drivers seat as I am too short for comfortable riding. Bill Meier 810-987-4566 or meierbj2@comcast.net

1999 R1200C Jens Schoening Jens.Schoening@hna.hella.com

1996 R1100R for sale, excellent condition, for details contact Allen Gigliotti, giglio@comcast.net

Highway pegs for LT's: www.ridingiswonderful.com/ridingiswonderfulinc/ Jim & Jason Mick

1995 BMW K1100LT \$5,500. Less than 18,500 miles. Dealer serviced. The Bike is located in Warren, Michigan. It comes with hard bags, truck, waterproof liners and tank bag. It also has a Corbin seat, heated hand grips, radio, 4 speakers, and adjustable tinted windshield. If Interested contact Patricia @beemerlt93@yahoo.com