



Motor City Beemers

Newsletter



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All meetings are held the **SECOND** Saturday of the month at 10:30AM at
BMW Motorcycles of Detroit
1301 S Rochester Rd, Suite B
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
Phone: (248) 402-4013

Many of our “major” club events are on the **THIRD** Saturday of the month

We welcome owners and fans of all bikes
“An eating club with a motorcycle problem!”

Our next meeting is: January 12, 2018

Following Meeting: February 9, 2018

Web site: <https://MCBeemers.org>

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HAPPY NEW YEAR Beemers!!!!

Here we are starting a new year with lots of promise for a great riding season. We will have our planning meeting during our March monthly meeting. We have a few new ideas for this year's riding. We will keep with our traditional rides but we do need a new Color Tour plan. We are continuing the Wednesday night dinners throughout the year. So keep an eye on the Club Activities tab at the Website, mcbeemer.org; and on the Facebook page, as well as here in the Newsletters.

The Mid-Winter Banquet is rapidly approaching. If you have not signed up and wish to attend, please get your \$15 to Jim Mick so that we can get a final head count. The Banquet is on 16th of February at 6:00pm at Louis' Chop House, 50355 Gratiot Ave, Chesterfield Twp. That is South of 23 mile rd. on the West side of Gratiot. This has always been a well-attended event and a lot of fun. We will have door prizes and at least one 50/50 drawing.

Please email me ASAP at cathy.e.beyers@gmail.com for any Bent Beemer nominations. These awards are given at the banquet for incidents that happen to our members over the last year. The incidents are generally minor in nature such as a dropped bike in a garage or parking lot. These are more of the damage to the bike type incidents, where a little light hearted ribbing is in order. In a lot of cases, the recipient was unaware they were getting one.

Don't forget Annual Dues are due to Jim Mick by 31st of January for you to stay in good standing in the club and get the benefit of a reduced cost for club events like the banquet. Annual Dues are \$15 for regular members and \$10 for associate member of a regular member.

Till next month be safe and get out there and ride (weather permitting)!



Happy New Year, everyone!

December actually had a few potential riding days, none of which I was able to take advantage of. And for the one or two of you that care, our cat is doing well, though my hope of not being allergic to her aren't working out so well.

High on my resolution list is to ride more in 2019. I don't think that will be hard, assuming the I-696 construction is actually done when they promise. That, and work on putting the newsletter together earlier.

Wednesday dinners: Paula and I would welcome some feedback on Wednesday dinners. For example, one location has great food, but their location is not very bike friendly, so we'll be scheduling it only on the off-season. One place won't separate bills, so they are off our Wednesday dinner list. I'm on the edge with one place, in that their service is slow, their bills are screwed up, their use of food runners is a disaster for large groups...but we seem to have a high turnout there, so apparently people like the overall package. We've removed a couple from the Wednesday list that no one goes to because they are just too far away from where people are. I'd love to hear that people would like to see more dinners out in the Southfield/Farmington Hills area, but I'm not expecting that is the case. We would also like to make sure we semi-regularly have "vegetarian friendly" places on the schedule. If you have some place you think would be a good addition to the Wednesday dinner list, let us know. Requirements:

- Enough space for us to have 8-20 diners, and won't be grumpy if we plan on 15 and get 6...or 20.
- Bike friendly location and parking
- Handle separate bills, and accept credit cards
- Located somewhere near where a fair number of our members are near in the evening

Membership: Our club has been going through some big changes – we have moved a substantial distance from where we were. Many long-time members have/are retiring and moving to warmer parts of the country. But we are now in a new area where I think we should be getting a whole new crop of members. So... when you run into someone that's cool, fun, and a biker, make sure you invite them to drop by one of our meetings or dinners. If you are aware of someone who's a new BMW owner, make sure you let them know they get a one year membership with their purchase, all they have to do is show up to claim it.

It is pictures collection time! See the long version last month, but I'll try my best to be at the January meeting and Jan-Feb Wednesday dinners to get pictures from you, or e-mail me.

YES, THE ACTIVITIES PAGE IS NO LONGER IN THE NEWSLETTER. Use the website "Activities" page. <https://mcbeemers.org/activities/> Thank you.

Tim tells me our lunch after the January meeting will be Brown Iron Brewhouse, 57695 Van Dyke Ave. Washington, MI 48094

Treasurer's Report

Jim Mick



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| Check book balance for the end of November | \$1479.47 |
| Check book balance for the end of December | \$1992.47 |
| (new) Balance one year ago | \$2292.45 |
| Balance end of June | \$1968.97 |
| Balance end of September | \$1377.47 |
| PayPal balance for the end of November | \$918.85 |
| PayPal balance for the end of December | \$958.85 |

I added the CkBk Balance above from a year ago for those who want to see how we are doing compared to last year.

- 68 member renewals for 2018
- 26 member renewals for 2019
- 13 members paid for MWB 2019
- 9 members paid for picnic

8 members paid for Frankenmuth

- Nov 29: Received \$55.00 from Rhys & Jill B for 2019 Membership and MWB.
- Dec 3: Received \$40.00 from Cathy B for 2019 Membership, MWB, Picnic & Frankenmuth.
- Dec 6: Received \$40.00 in PayPal from Jay M for 2019 Membership, MWB, Picnic & Frankenmuth.
- Dec 8: Received \$343.00 from Jeff A for Membership & MWB; Tom C for membership; Josh G membership, MWB, Picnic and Frankenmuth; Bob H for membership; Nick H & Paula E for membership, MWB, Picnic and Frankenmuth; Pat & Lynn K for membership, Picnic and Pat K for Picnic; Mike & Sharon M for membership; Don & Gail M for membership; Rob S for membership; Roy S for membership & MWB; including \$33 from the 50/50 which was won by Mike M.
- Dec 15: Received \$65 from Don & Carolynne P for membership, MWB & Picnic
- Dec 24: Received \$10 from Don & Carolynne P for Frankenmuth

A very convenient way to pay for ANY MCBeemers membership or any event, is to use your Bank/CU 'Bill Pay' option and they pay the postage... Send payment(s) to Jim Mick, 56750 FAIRCHILD RD, MACOMB, MI 48042. Once you input any payee name and address into their Bill Pay system, subsequent payments only require you to input the amount (and date). Please indicate in their memo for what you are paying.

Stuff on the website

- Main website: <https://mcbeemers.org>
- Activities page: <https://mcbeemers.org/activities>
- Newsletters, current and past: <https://mcbeemers.org/mcb-nl/>
- Club pictures: <https://mcbeemers.org/pictures/index.html>
- Club invite cards: <https://mcbeemers.org/mcb-nl/MCB-invites.pdf>
- Membership info: <https://mcbeemers.org/howdoijoin.html>

MOTOR CITY BEEMERS NAME TAGS

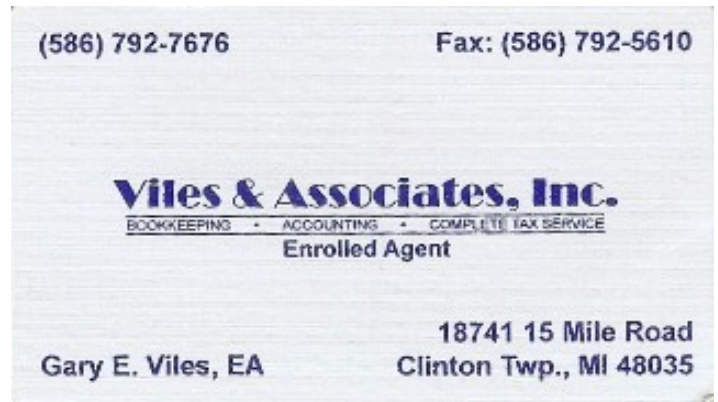
Motor City Beemer name tags are available for purchase at Highest Honor, Inc. Highest Honor, Inc is located at **34711 Dequindre Road, Troy, Michigan 48083**. Their shop is just south of 15 Mile Road, on the west side of Dequindre. Herb and Jeff have a die set up with the club logo and can add your name and/or nickname for a cost of only \$9.00.

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!"

"A tip of the MCBEEMER helmet . . .

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



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