



# Motor City Beemers

## Club Newsletter



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All meetings are held on the first Saturday of the month at 10:30 AM.

Next Meeting: September 5, 2009, 10:30AM at BMW of Detroit

Following Meeting: October 3, 2009 at BMW of Detroit

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### THE PREZ SEZ

We are approaching the end of the year and are now seeing some of the best riding weather of the season. I hope you are all getting out and enjoying this beautiful weather. Despite the weather this season I met a lot of our club members out on the road. Some of our members I saw in other states like Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia. I know our members were getting out and riding despite less than summer like conditions. Come on out and join in on some of the rides. The snow and ice are coming soon, don't waste what good riding weather we still have this year. Riding is a sense of freedom!

John Saarinen

### CLUB EVENTS

#### **New Officer Elections:**

Your officers this year did a great job and I want to thank them for their service and for their successes. Our officers for 2009 are:

- John Saarinen - President
- Tim Perry - VP Ride Schedule
- Jerry Pokorski - VP Chicken Run and Steak Picnic

- Allen Gigliotti - Treasurer, and
- Dave Cronberger - Newsletter Editor.
- Ives Potrafka – Webmaster

However it is that time of year to ask for volunteers for next year's officers. Volunteer yourself or someone else. If you are interested or willing please talk to the current officers to get a feel for what their job is like. This is your club; make it everything you want it to be. We need the following officers:

- President - Runs meetings, defuses arguments, write Prez Sez, buys donuts for meetings, & jack of all trades.
- VP Ride Schedule - Organizes and tracks monthly and special rides, controls ride schedule.
- VP Chicken Run and Steak Picnic - Organizes June Frankenmuth Chicken Run and September Picnic
- Treasurer - Does our banking, keeps a balance sheet & handles membership rolls
- Newsletter Editor - Publishes our newsletter, gets people to submit articles, and writes some articles.

**Steak Picnic:**

We just had our annual steak picnic barbeque. We had over 30 attendees most of whom rode their bikes. A few of us had to bring the coolers and other large items, so cars were the order of the day. Jerry and Margaret Pokorski did a great job in organizing and setting up the picnic site. Jerry doubled as our Master Chef and did a fantastic job. The steaks were done to perfection. The side dishes everyone brought were very good and there was more than enough food for everyone. Everyone left as stuffed as they wanted to be. To round out the day some of us played BMW Corn Hole (Yankees call it bean bag horse shoes). You had to be there to understand the game...I was there and I am still not sure how to play it. Next year come on out and join us!

John Saarinen

**Club Rides**

Our next meeting is on October 3rd at 10:30AM. The meeting will be kept short and hopefully we will be on the road to Zukie Lake Tavern by about 11:15AM. This ride will be lead by Maury Feuerman and should be a great ride and restaurant experience. We understand this is a motorcycle friendly restaurant so come on out and join us. John Saarinen

October 3rd	Lake Zukie Tavern - Livingston Co	Maury Feuerman
October 17-18	Annual Color Tour - Our traditional ride to help close Legs Inn for the end of season 10/17 - contact me ASAP if your interested in staying in the cabins.	Ives Potrafka Ken Mitchell
November 7th	Tony Packo, Toledo OH - "Klinger's Hungarian Hot Dog"	Tim Perry

Ives & Ken have done a great job of pulling together the fall color tour. The ride will again be to the Legg's Inn at Cross Village (North of Petoskey). The ride will leave the dealership Saturday morning October 17th at 8:30 AM sharp and then meet west side riders at 9:30AM at the I-75 Rest Area just south of the Clio / Montrose exit... Please let Ken and Ives

know which location you plan to be at. We have reserved and filled three cabins at the Inn. I believe there is a fourth cabin on site that you may be able to get but must call the Inn directly. They let us pitch tents next to our cabins in the past if you are so interested. Please don't feel that you need to stay at Leggs in to come along. You just need to make your own lodging arrangements if you're not in one of the cabins.

### **NEWS FROM THE BEEMERSHIP**

See the web site and learn how to get a free coffee mug!

### **BMWMOA NEWS**

Neat article on riding Route 66 on the association web page. If you are not a member we recommend you join.

### **Other News**

This month we would like to make a special note of appreciation for our Webmaster. Ives Potrafka. Managing web sites and keeping them current is time consuming and Ives does all this for the club in his officially unofficial role. Thanks for your time and effort Ives!. (Ed Note)

### **Rides**

**The Wednesday Night Dinner** rides managed by Betty are going well and for a schedule check the club web site or the club group on Yahoo.

**Shiloh Rally** - Contact Dick Hautau if you are interested in attending the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this event. It is being hosted by the [BMW Riders Association of the Mid-South](#) at the Pickwick Dam in Tennessee. [rhautau@gmail.com](mailto:rhautau@gmail.com)

### **Training**

If you have taken a training course lately please send a couple paragraphs describing the class and what you learned so we can share it in the news letter.

If you went to the "School of Hard Knocks" lately and are willing to share a lesson learned that would be great too.

### **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.

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

**FOR SALE:**

For sale section of the newsletter is for all club members to post ANYTHING (legal) that they have for sale or wanted. 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. Please let John Hooper know if they need to be removed.

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