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January-February 2015

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# 2015 Calendar

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|-----------------|---|
| February 12     | Board Meeting, Concours Motors                                  |
| February 14     | 2015 Chicago Auto Show Badger Bimmers' bus trip                 |
| February 28     | Chili and a Movie   |
| March 14        | Saturday Board Meeting in Madison area                          |
| April 9         | Board Meeting, Concours Motors                                  |
| May 9           | Spring Car Clean-up in Milwaukee, Madison, & Fox Valley area    |
| May 14          | Board Meeting, Concours Motors                                  |
| May 16          | E30 Meet and Greet, Frame Park, Waukesha                        |
| May 29          | Milwaukee Region Porsche Club DE event at Blackhawk Farms       |
| June 11         | Board Meeting, Concours Motors                                  |
| June 15         | Badger Bimmers Drivers School at Blackhawk Farms                |
| June 22-23      | Wisconsin Audi Club DE event at Road America                    |
| July 9          | Board Meeting, Concours Motors                                  |
| August 3        | Badger Bimmers Drivers School at Blackhawk Farms                |
| August 8-09     | Car Corral at Road America: Continental Tire Road Race Showcase |
| August 13       | Board Meeting, Concours Motors                                  |
| August 14       | Milwaukee Region Porsche Club DE event at Road America          |
| September 25-27 | <b>OktoberFAST</b> at Road America                              |
| October TBD     | Saturday Board Meeting in Fox Valley area                       |

#### BMW CAR CLUB OF AMERICA FOUNDATION SEEKS EARLY *bimmer immers*

The BMW CCA Foundation is trying to build a complete archive of newsletters from all chapters in the country. Does anyone out there have any issues from 1999 and before? If you do and are willing to allow the Club to photocopy some, please contact Erik Ivarson at [eicarguy@wi.rr.com](mailto:eicarguy@wi.rr.com).

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**Board meetings generally are held on the second Thursday of each month. They start promptly at 6:30 pm. Board meetings are open to all members. The Board encourages members to attend.**

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Monthly Board meetings will convene at 6:30 pm in the Board Room at  
Concours Motors • 5990 N. Green Bay Ave. • Glendale, WI.

**Please consult the monthly Calendar (above) for exact locations and dates.**

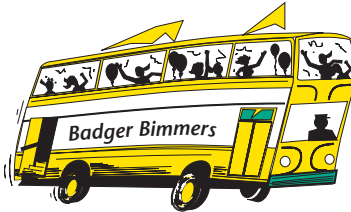
# News of Note...

## Badger Bimmers Going to 2015 Chicago Auto Show

*Back Again by Popular Demand*

Please join us on **The Badger Bimmers Motor Coach Trip** to the Chicago Auto Show. We will travel in style from Milwaukee to Chicago, stopping for breakfast on the way down.

We will be going the morning of **Saturday, February 14**, and we will return the same day. We will have three rendezvous points in the Milwaukee area: at the Brown Deer Park 'n' Ride lot (6:30-6:45), the College Ave. Park



'n' Ride (7-7:15), and the Petro Stopping Center in Sturtevant (I-94 and Hwy. 20, Exit 333) where we'll pause for breakfast (7:45-8:30).

We expect to arrive at McCormick Place at 10:00 a.m., and we'll return to Milwaukee at 2:30 p.m.

These details are also available on our Web site ([www.badgerbimmers.org](http://www.badgerbimmers.org)). If you're interested in going, please register for the event at [Motorsportreg.com](http://Motorsportreg.com). Numbers will be limited. There is no charge for the bus ride, but members must purchase their own tickets

for the show.

See you then!

bj

~Darcy Yench

# Save the Date

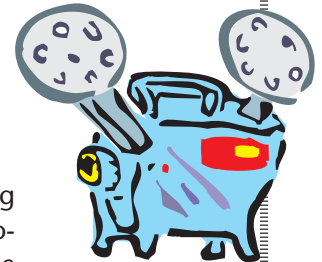
## 'Chili and a Movie' Returns

Where: **Ron's Toy Barn**  
678 N. Progress Drive • Saukville

When: **February 28, 2015 11am 'till 6pm**



Come join us! Enjoy some great member-prepared chili and a race movie. If you bring chili (6 quarts) the event is free; if not, the cost is \$5.00 per person, which will be donated to **Feeding America of Eastern Wisconsin**. Beverages provided. You must be at least 18 to attend. There's more information about this event on our website and registration is open at [motorsportreg.com](http://motorsportreg.com).



*But bring your own chair!*

Attendance is limited to 25 people, so register early on [Motorsportreg.com](http://Motorsportreg.com).

## Spring Clean-up at International BMW

As I write this our January weather has not been as intense as last year, but I expect we will probably get our typical snow during February and March. May always seems to be a good month for a complete cleaning of your favorite ride, inside and out.

Come join your fellow Club members for our annual **Spring Clean-up, May 9th** from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. We are



having the clean-up at **International BMW** once again. International BMW is located on 108th Street south of Lincoln Ave. They provide a great place for us to work on our cars. International BMW will wash your car in their auto car-wash bay. We have

the use of the BMW/MINI service area to continue cleaning/detailing in a warm protected area. The Spring Clean-up affords a great opportunity to meet with other Club members while shining and/or cleaning your BMW's interior.

I am inviting **Nick Sanfilippo** from *Acci-dent* to attend and offer

his paintless dent removal ser-

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# From the President

Jeff Fait

## And the Wheel Turns...

# 2015 Starts **BIG**

**H**ello, fellow Badger Bimmers members! The New Year has arrived, the dust has settled, the votes have been tallied, and our holiday party has come and gone — leaving us with an updated slate of Club Officers for 2015 and beyond. Congratulations to those newly elected to their positions, and continued thanks to those midway through their current runs. I'm honored to have been elected the new Club President. I'd like to thank our outgoing President **Erik Ivarson** for his service and also welcome him into his new roles as Past President and Driving Event Coordinator. As you may have heard, **Mike Clemens** is taking a well deserved break from his Driving Event Coordinator duties and Erik has graciously stepped up to fill those very large shoes. Mike has a great reputation for running excellent events and I'm sure Erik will continue that grand tradition. Mike has also passed on the Club Treasurer torch to **Darcy Yench** while being elected as a new Board Member. *Whew!* Lots going on!



There are some fun Club events coming up in the next few weeks that I hope many will take advantage of. First, the Club has sponsored bus transportation (that means FREE transportation for Club members! You still have to purchase your own admission to the show, sorry!) to the **Chicago Auto Show** on **Saturday, February 14th**. This is a great opportunity to check out the crop of new cars and to take a road trip with your Badger Bimmer friends! Next, our Second Annual "**Chili and a Movie**" event will be held **Saturday, February 28th** at Ron Pace's "Toy Barn" in Saukville. Bring your favorite chili to share while we watch a car-themed movie (title yet to be determined) and spend a winter day hanging out and dreaming of summer. Last year's event was a big hit and a great time. Please check our website ([www.baderbimmers.org](http://www.baderbimmers.org)) for more details about both events and [www.motorsportreg.com](http://www.motorsportreg.com) to sign up.

Dates have been announced for our three driving events for 2015! We will be at **Blackhawk Farms Raceway** on **June 15** and **August 3**, and **OktoberFAST** will be at **Road America, September 25 through 27**. These are all fantastic, fun, and educational events that will be the highlights of the summer.

Don't forget to check in at [www.badgerbimmers.org](http://www.badgerbimmers.org) regularly to stay up to date on Club news and activities. Also, I would like to encourage anyone who is interested in helping out with our events, or has any ideas for new events, to contact me or any of the other officers and let us know. This Club has some incredible resources, chief among them a huge number of talented and capable members. Imagine what we can all do together!

See you soon!

**bj**



# Holiday Party & Election Res

Report and photos by Darcy Yench

## OUR NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS



Jeff Fait



Darcy Yench



Tim Jason



Mike Clemens



Larry O'Brien

The Annual General Membership Meeting and Holiday Party of 2015 met at a new venue, the Potawatomi Hotel and Casino. Seventy-one Club members and guests attended this year's event. Attendees were treated to a \$10 voucher to do some gambling in the casino, which many used before or after dinner.

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres were served outside the Serenity Room where stations awaited the group inside with many different, tasty treats. Our dining room was bathed in purple and blue light with the tables done in white linens and black napkins. On the evening's agenda was a welcome from outgoing president, Erik Ivarson.

### Election Results

Newly elected officers are **Jeff Fait** – President; **Darcy Yench** – Treasurer; Board members **Tim Jason** and **Mike Clemens**; and **Larry O'Brien** – Madison area liaison.

Door prizes were quite abundant, as usual, from our generous donors: we had over 100 items to share.

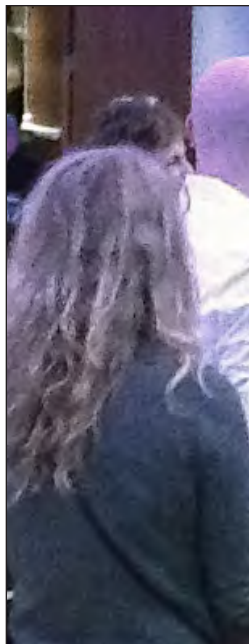
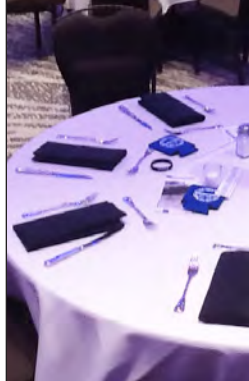
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### And Next Year...?

Where should we go next? There's some talk of going back to the Comedy Café. If you have any ideas, please make your voice heard and speak or email one of the board as we are always looking for good venue to host our next holiday party. If you missed out on all the fun, plan to attend next year's holiday party in January 2016! Mark your calendars now and plan to attend.

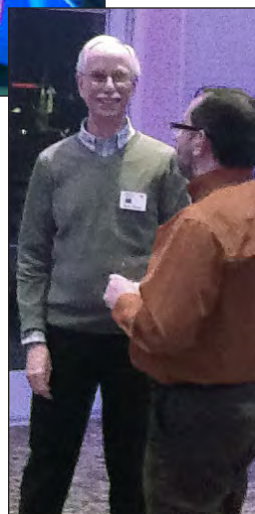
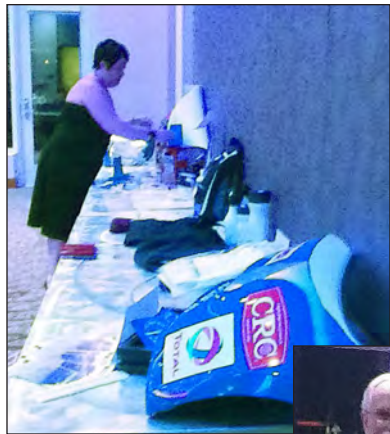
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## Annual Spring Clean-up

vices. Their dent removal results have been amazing. If you are interested in having a dent removed, contact Nick Sanfilippo at 414-305-5005 several days before the event and let him know where the dent is. Some repair locations require special tools, so Nick will need to know what tools he needs to bring for your specific repair.

The BMW and MINI showrooms will be open all afternoon. You'll be able to take some time to inspect the new cars. Snacks and beverages will be provided by the Club.

If you have any questions, call me at 262-784-4180 or contact me by email at [dthuerkm3@gmail.com](mailto:dthuerkm3@gmail.com).

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Similar clean-up sessions will be held in the Fox Valley and Madison areas on the same day, May 9. For information about the Fox Valley event, contact Dale Kressin ([dale@vin.com](mailto:dale@vin.com)); and for Madison, contact Larry O'Brien ([ashark@charter.net](mailto:ashark@charter.net)). **bj**

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