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Badger Bimmers enjoy rare insider tour of Motion Products Inc. See more on page 5.

Inaugural Badger Bimmers MATC Scholarship Awarded!

Beginning in fall 2019 Badger Bimmers has funded a 5-year, \$1000 per year annual scholarship for the automotive service program at Milwaukee Area Technical College. The scholarship is granted to an exceptional full-time student in one of MATC's Associate Degree granting programs.

Our first winner is Shayla Gundersen! Congratulations and best of luck to you in your studies.

An additional scholarship of \$1000 per year for 5 years have been funded at the Fox Valley Technical College for automotive studies.

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The holidays are just around the corner, and we've already had our first couple of snowfalls here, but there have been plenty of things going on and coming up around the club!

2020 Holiday Party

The Holiday Party is being held at the Italian Community Center in Milwaukee with catering by Bartolotta's on Saturday January 11th, 2020. There's an article about it in this newsletter - be sure to check out all the details. Registration is open on motorsportreg.com - <http://msreg.com/2020HolidayParty>

Badger Bimmer Board Elections

It's that time again! The slate of candidates is set and their statements are a few pages away in this newsletter. There is a paper ballot in this newsletter that you can mail in but it's a lot easier to just cast your vote online.

7th Annual Chili and a Movie

Join us for our annual winter automotive related movie and chili gathering. Bring your favorite secret chili recipe as we socialize, view some interesting vehicles, bench race and watch a special movie. If you bring chili (6 quarts) the event is FREE. People's Choice voting between 12 and 1. Beverages and fix 'ins provided. If you do not bring chili the cost is \$20 per person collected at the event with the proceeds donated to charity. If you have special beverage needs or desires please bring your own supply. You must be at least 18 to register for this event and registration is limited to 20 people. Register: <http://msreg.com/chilimovie2020> Movie - Shelby American. Location - Ron Pace's Toy Barn Time - 10:30am to 3pm

Champagne Picnic

September 29th was the Fifth Annual revival of the Champagne Picnic, and it was a great time despite rainy weather! There were many fine cars and their owners in attendance who enjoyed some delicious food and drink in a beautiful setting. THANKS to Peter and Vicki Wright for hosting the event and doing all the planning and preparation!

OktoberFAST 2019

OktoberFAST was held at Road America, October 4-6. Friday and Sunday had stellar fall weather while Saturday was a mixed bag with rain in the afternoon. THANKS to Darcy Yench, John Morgan, David Swernoff, and many others for helping to make this a successful event.

Door County Tour

On September 21st we had a Fall Tour drive in Door County Wisconsin. Justin De Maa set up a great route for a nice drive and relaxing stops along the way. THANKS Justin for your hard work setting this up!

Events 2019

Details on Events can be found on the website: www.badgerbimmers.org

November 14th	Board Meeting International BMW
December 12th	Board Meeting BMW of Milwaukee North
January 11th, 2020	Holiday Party at Italian Community Center
January 26th, 2020	Chili and Movie
June 8, 2020	Blackhawk Farms HPDE
August 21, 2020	Blackhawk Farms HPDE
October 16-18, 2020	Road America OktoberFAST

Badger Bimmers Official Ballot

Save a stamp and vote instantly online!

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/index.cfm/event/survey/uidSurvey/4DFE1C9B-C1EF-F17B-14999A264A53A756>

Pick one:

Vice President: David Thuerk _____

Secretary: Ron Pace _____

Fox Valley Liaison: Dale Kressin _____

Pick two:

Member at Large: David Burman Creston Flemming

_____ _____

Fill out the ballot and place it in an envelope. Be sure to write your name and BMWCCA number as the return address.

Mail to: Badger Bimmers

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2020 Board Candidate Profiles

My name is Ron Pace and I am seeking your endorsement and vote to continue as Secretary of the Badger Bimmers Chapter. Having served as Vice President and then Secretary I am quite familiar with the governance of the Badger Bimmers and enjoy supporting the various activities undertaken for the benefit of the membership. By way of background I am retired from the Kohler Company where my most recent position was Group President. Currently I am on the Board of Directors for several companies and am Chairman elect for the Road America Board. I have served on the Board of Road America since 2005. I also consult at Kohler as an executive coach. I am an avid motorsport participant and am a racer in a vintage Lola T496/497.



Ron Pace

My present term as Vice Present is nearing its end. These last two years as a Vice President seem to pass by quickly. I continue to enjoy the club immensely, its activities and the connections to the members I have met over the years. I look forward to more years and decided to run for an additional term as Vice President. I am asking for your support and vote to allow me to continue to be involved in the planning and support of the activities that make the club interesting and fun. –Dave Thuerk



Dave Thuerk

I have enjoyed both track and social events for the Badger Bimmers for several years and have been the Northeastern Wisconsin liaison for two terms. I am willing, able and happy to continue as the Northeastern liaison. I continuously encourage new members to participate with the Badger Bimmer board to strengthen the club in serving our members and our communities. –Dale Kressin



Dale Kressin

I have been an avid BMW enthusiast since high school when I purchased my 1987 535i (which I still have). I joined the BMWCCA after attending a few events in Minnesota with the North Star chapter, and switched to the Badger Bimmers when I moved to the Milwaukee area in 2010. With my current daily driver, a 2013 335i, I have started to explore the tuning community with other groups around Chicago and Wisconsin. I spend my summers at car shows, Autobahn Country Club, Road America and AutoX events across the state.

I have enjoyed being on the board the past 2 years, organizing and attending the events from the annual holiday party and the e30 Picnic to OctoberFAST and Oktoberfest. Pictures I have taken in the past at these events have been featured in the Bimmer Immer and on the Facebook page over the past few years.

I now work in BMW Sales at International Autos in Milwaukee and as a board member I look forward to helping organize the events I already attend as well as coming up with new events focused around the club's enthusiastic members.

I have made many friends in the club, and would be honored by your votes to elect me to represent you on the board for another term. Thank you for your consideration. –David Burman



David Burman

Thank you for your consideration of my continued membership on the Badger Bimmers Board of Directors. I have served as a board member for the past two years and as editor of the *Bimmer Immer* for the past three. I strive to bring in new members and encourage current members to participate in our events. I very much enjoy our many activities including driving and social events and will continue to support efforts to expand our range of activities. –Creston Flemming



Creston Flemming

Badger Bimmers Tour Motion Products

By Dale Kressin

Our board meeting in October is typically held in northeastern Wisconsin. This year members enjoyed a very unique opportunity to tour the three Motion Products Inc. facilities.

Jim Wallner described the Motion Products Inc. history and expansion over approximately a thirty year period. The company started with a few employees working out of a northeastern Wisconsin barn to over fifty employees now working from three facilities in Neenah, Wisconsin plus warehouses in three states. Motion Products Inc. has become the largest automobile restoration facility worldwide!

A typical question is why would car collectors ship their cars to a company in a small city in Wisconsin? Mr. Wallner explained the reason for the company's success is its employees with very specialized skills.

The company has two "historians". Their job is to provide research and detailed documentation of every aspect of each project. The company has several highly skilled workers, for example metal fabrication and interior materials specialists! Attracting and retaining these workers has become an important focus for management. The owners of the company have prioritized investing profits back into the company. Today, Motion Products Inc. transports many customer vehicles to automobile Concours in the United States and Europe.

The company stores and services many cars. They provide routine diagnostics and services for modern Ferrari cars for local customers.

Jim Wallner and Patrick Knapp allowed our members to walk freely throughout their facilities and ask questions. Every car has a history and multiple stories. Many of the cars have extensive race histories. Every project car has an extensive log detailing their restoration. Examples of the sights our members shared include:

Lamborghini Miura
Alfa Romero 8C
Ferrari 250 GTO
Ferrari Daytona
Ferrari Dino
Ferrari F40
Ferrari F50
Ferrari 599 GTO
Ferrari America
Mercedes 300SL
Intermeccanica Italia
Maybach



Without question, Motion Products Inc. Is a premiere facility for vintage Italian automobile restoration.

With regard to our questions, there were no unanswered questions!

Motion Products Inc. gifted the Badger Bimmer club with a glass pumpkin from the Bergstrom-Mahler Museum of Glass Shop. Congratulations to Fred Schwierske who won this art work from a drawing at the event.

The Badger Bimmers board and members were treated very well at Motion Products Inc. and we express appreciation for their time, efforts and use of the facilities for our meeting.



2019 OktoberFAST

By Darcy Yench

OktoberFAST 2019 is in the books! We had a great weekend. Picture perfect weather on the bookends and 1/2 day on Saturday. The rain Saturday afternoon didn't stop lots of our participants from practicing their rain lines. Almost 200 participants this year! Big thanks to our registration crew: Dave and Kris Tatem, Dave Thuerk, David Burman and Amber Schoeller; Exercise crew: Chris Fredette and CR Krieger; grid guys: David Swernoff, John Morgan, Ron Pace, Erik Ivarson, Dale Kressin, Chris Fredette, Nick Rousch, David Burman and Bill Nicoud; Classroom instructors: Trevor Davies, Nick Rousch and Brian Spiewak; Chief Instructor, David Swernoff and our technical team: Chris, Arthur and Fred. A huge thank you to all of our instructors!!!! Our Saturday night dinner was attended by 70 folks! Congrats to Reed D. for winning the OktoberFAST 2020 entry, to Mark Stefka and Thomas Nelson for winning the PhotosbyEdmond prints and Tom Aldridge got the sweat pants. Next year's dates are October 16-18, 2020. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!



2019 Badger Bimmers Night at Brew City Cruise Night

By Jeff Fait

Tuesday, August 13th, was the seventh annual Badger Bimmers BMW & MINI Night at Brew City Cruise Night in Mequon, WI. Turnout was down a tiny bit from last year due to rain, but there were still over 70 BMWs and their owners in attendance.

Brew City Cruise Night is a weekly gathering of car enthusiasts from around southeast Wisconsin. They host 22 Tuesday night car shows (from May through September) at nine American Bistro in Mequon, with each week being dedicated to a feature marque, club, or theme.

Club members from all over southeast and central Wisconsin made the trek in an astounding variety of BMW vehicles. CS, '02, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, M, and X along with MINIs old and new were all well-represented.

The night was topped off by a big door-prize giveaway.

Start making plans for next year's 8th Annual event, tentatively scheduled for the second week of August in 2020. I'd like to thank everyone who attended this year for coming out, and also give a big round of applause for the Brew City Cruise Night volunteers who helped make the night a special one.



January 11 Holiday Party - Register NOW!

Join us for our Annual Badger Bimmer Holiday Party Saturday, January 11, 2019 at the Italian Community Center, 631 East Chicago Street, Milwaukee, WI. Complimentary parking can be accessed off Jackson Street. The night will be filled with great food from Bartolotta Catering, Raffle Prizes and socializing with your fellow club members about the past year and the events coming up for 2020. We will also be announcing the results of board member elections and annual awards during a brief meeting.

The club will again be supplementing the costs for members with the member and first guest at \$35 each.

The evening will start with a Cocktail Hour at 5:30pm with passed hors d'oeuvres in the Galleria while looking over the fabulous raffle prizes from our sponsors for this year's event.

Dinner will be plated starting at 7:00pm in the West Ballroom with a choice of entrees which can be selected with your RSVP on MotorsportReg.com. <http://msreg.com/2020HolidayParty>

Option 1: Braised Short Ribs of Beef (gf); Yukon Gold Potato Puree, Carrots, Red Wine Reduction

Option 2: Tuscan Chicken Half (gf); Rosemary, Garlic, Caramelized Brussels Sprouts, Roasted Potatoes

Option 3: Wild Mushroom Risotto (v); Fontina, Grana Padano Cheese, White Truffle Oil

Tiramisu; Layered Italian Custard, Espresso Soaked Lady Finger Cookies, Mascarpone Cheese, Cocoa Powder

Sorbetti (gf) (df) (v) For any guests with dietary restrictions/allergies

There will be two drink tickets provided for each guest, with a cash bar available all evening.

Dairy Free, Vegan, Gluten Free etc. will be accommodated, as needed.



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