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Pittsburgh Auto Show

David L Lawrence Convention Center
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NATIONAL EVENTS

March 12-13, 2016:

Members-Only Two-Day M School at the BMW Performance Center in Spartanburg

This BMW CCA Members-Only Two-Day M School will

take place on March 12-13 at the Performance Center's Spartanburg, South Carolina location. Offered for members at a discount of several hundred dollars, this \$3,395 (normally \$3,995) course includes not only the ample amenities of the Performance Center, including a full range of current M cars, professional instruction, and access to the Performance Center's slalom, skid pad, handling course, timed-run course, and more, but also the opportunity for drivers of all skill levels to gain the confidence and skill to properly handle any of BMW's most powerful offerings. Travel arrangements are not included, but the price does include meals, lodging, and an M School jacket, and everything needed to make this two-day celebration of M power complete.

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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Thank You to Crew

BY JOHNA SNYDER

The Allegheny Apex Editor

This newsletter was not a solo effort and I would like to thank the ROCK stars who assisted: Allen Christian, Tom Dressel, Paul Wegweiser, Tiffany Nolan, Jeff Taylor, George Snyder, Lisa Craig, Michael Sanchez, Minuteman Press Downtown, Marianne Meehan, George Mitchell, Lori Jackson, Ted Gushue of Petrolicious, Lisa

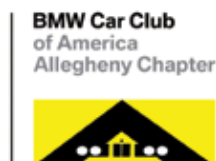
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Their contribution to the newsletter not only makes it special but allows us to continue to bring you the news in full color.

Please consider these ads the next time you are in need of their services.



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A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Leader Thankful for Great Group

Allegheny Chapter Volunteers Make Club Events Successful

BY GEORGE SNYDER

Allegheny Chapter President

First and foremost - I am thankful for the members of the Allegheny Chapter. The amount of volunteer work you all do with a smile on your faces never ceases to amaze me. It is SOLELY because of you all that the Chapter is as fantastic as it is.

I am thankful for the rest of the board members. Thank you for spending your free time running the Allegheny Chapter and for the volunteer work that you all do as well.

I am thankful for the newsletter team, without them we wouldn't have the

wonderful publication that we have.

I am thankful for the driving events team - without them and their contacts we wouldn't have the fun driving events that that Chapter has.

I am thankful for the Social events team - without them and their energy, our social events wouldn't be as fantastic as they are.

I am thankful for the PVGP team - without them the weekend at Pitt Race and Schenley Park would go nowhere fast.

I am thankful for the Ofest team- they have a huge undertaking ahead of them and are

getting the plans laid out well in advance to make sure that Ofest in 2018 will be something to remember.

As 2016 closes out in the upcoming weeks and 2017 rings in, I thank you all for all the time, energy, effort that you all put into the Allegheny Chapter.

By the time this in print, we probably will have had the calendar unveiling at Azul and we will be finishing up the details for the Post Holiday Party in January.

I wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season and I look forward to 2017 events and seeing everyone.

As we come to the close of another year, I simply wanted to give thanks to the members of the Allegheny Chapter for all you do.



WINE DOWN: Members meet for a chapter social event at J&D Cellars in Eighty Four, Pennsylvania on September 11th, 2016.

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On vehicles with fixed style calipers found on older classic vehicles and M-Sport vehicles installation of new pads is very important. Pad retaining pins and expanding springs need to be replaced on vehicles four years old and replaced every four years thereafter with pad replacement. Follow repair instructions for lubing contact points."

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Annual Post-Holiday Party Set

Chapter Continues January Tradition at New Venue in 2017

BY AL APEX

The Allegheny Chapter is thrilled to bring to you a new venue for our Annual Post-Holiday Party this year. Olivia's Banquet Facility is conveniently located in Coraopolis with plenty of parking.

We will be hosted in the Victoria's room that is as warm and welcoming as the staff. There will be appetizers, a buffet

dinner and cash bar. Please keep an eye open for further details on our website and to RSVP. Although we are not certain we can top the surprise of last year's honor, there will be prizes and plenty to celebrate. It has been a terrific year and here's hoping to this one is bigger and better than the last. Cheers!

POST-HOLIDAY FUN



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Chapter Plans Annual Meeting at PNC Park

This year's Annual Meeting will be held at Atria's at PNC Park. There will be

reports from the Treasurer, Secretary as well as the Driving Committee Chair, Social Committee Chair and a report on the Newsletter. Lastly, the Election Secretary will announce the Election Results. Be there and catch up on where we have been and find out where we are going!

ANNUAL MEETING

THURSDAY,
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Chapter Encourages Members to Visit Pittsburgh Auto Show

Volunteers to Meet and Greet Car Enthusiasts at Club Booth at David L. Lawrence Convention Center for Annual Event

BY AL APEX

Join us for an annual tradition in the Pittsburgh area featuring the latest that manufacturers have to offer.

As with the past few years, we will have a table within the BMW area of the convention center.

Please consider taking a 2-hour shift to meet and greet with potential members and share your experiences with the club.

Marianne Meehan will be coordinating and scheduling staffing. If you are interested, please email her at: marianne2626@verizon.net.

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New Member Joins Last Drive First

Apex, Shiny 320i Entice New BMW Owner to Join Chapter

BY MARK WEIL

My first experience with the Allegheny chapter of the BMWCCA was very interesting and enjoyable. Let me digress, I have wanted a BMW for the past 20 years or so, but for one reason or another circumstances prevented me from owning one.

Then one day I saw a shiny red 320i sitting on the lot, and a copy of the club's magazine sitting on the salesman's desk.

I took the car for a test

drive, which included a stop at my wife's work to show her what I found. She didn't really get why I wanted to trade in a perfectly good Accord for a smaller BMW, but she said if it made me happy to have the car then I should buy it. It only seemed natural to join a club of other enthusiasts of such a fine machine.

That takes me to the final drive of the season. I had owned the car for about a

month and put about 2000 boring highway miles on it commuting to work in Ohio. The route that was planned for the drive was perfect to let me experience what the commercials refer to as "The Ultimate Driving Machine". I could do more with that car than with any car I had ever driven.

I was a little nervous at first, what with this being my first experience with a car club. I was worried about being

judged for my driving skills, or lack thereof. Quite to the contrary, everyone was extremely welcoming and nonjudgmental. By the end of the drive, I had made some new friends, enjoyed lively conversation, and learned a lot more about my car.

I look forward to the next adventure and many more in the future. Thank you to everyone for welcoming me to the club.



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Beattie Plans Best for Last

Warm Weather, Fun Route Please Group at Last Drive

BY JOHNA SNYDER
The Allegheny Apex Editor

It is November, isn't it?
I asked myself all day.

There was plenty of sunshine and the temperature warm enough for the top to be down on the car.

As we glided through the fall colors and through the turns, I felt the sun on my face and the wind in my hair, "wow - what a wonderful feeling."

As I continued to enjoy the day, meet new people and feel the road under me, I drifted to thoughts of who discovered this road, this route we are on?

It is none other than our very own Glen Beattie. Many

of you probably do not how much goes into planning a drive like this. Finding a destination, calculating the duration, planning where there will be bio-breaks and anticipating points of separation. Driving the route (repeatedly), ensuring that there is no construction or bad roads and documenting the route so that no one gets lost.

Thanks to Glen and all of the others who have planned a drive in the past or will plan a drive in our future.

A lot goes into planning a drive, including finding a destination, calculating the duration, planning where there will be bio-breaks and anticipating points of separation.



LAST BLAST: Members meet to enjoy fall colors, fun turns and warm weather during the Last Drive of 2016 in November.



Chapter Announces Plans for 2018 Oktoberfest Grand Tour

Fall Drive Through Laurel Highlands to Feature Work of Famous Local Architect Frank Lloyd Wright at Falling Water

BY AL APEX

On Friday July 13, 2018 the Allegheny Chapter is hosting a Grand Tour of the Laurel Highlands and the famous Frank Lloyd Wright designed house "Falling Water." Considered the greatest example of American Architectural design. The tour will be open to all BMW CCA club members and those in attendance of Oktoberfest or the Allegheny Chapters – BMW Marque of the Year Celebration at the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix.

The tour will leave from our host hotel, The Pittsburgh Sheraton at Station Square and make its way east until we can leave the highway and enjoy the colorful rolling hills, deep river valleys and high mountain peaks of the Laurel highlands. Approximately a two hour drive we will make our way to the historic "Fallingwater" where we will have a box lunch during our stay.

Afterwards participants are encouraged to visit other area attractions including another Frank Lloyd Wright home, Kentucky Knob, the scenic Ohiopyle State Park or explore other fantastic roads throughout the laurel high-

lands. Some routes and tours will be provided but not guided.

The house, "Fallingwater" was owned by the Edgar Kaufmann Senior. Who was born to a prominent wealthy family from Pittsburgh, which owned an upscale department store in downtown Pittsburgh. Married in 1909 to Lillian Kaufmann, the daughter of his uncle. Liliane went on to create and manage the exclusive women's couture, known as the "Vendome" shops within their store. Kaufmanns department stores were in existence until the late 80's when they were purchased by Macy's. Known for their international travel they often mixed with the inner circles of artist, architects and other creative people. A year after their marriage they had a child named Edgar Jr.



GRAND TOUR 2018

FRIDAY, JULY 13, 2018
GRAND TOUR
LAUREL HIGHLANDS

The Allegheny Chapter has reserved the entire facility for the day to guarantee everyone will get a chance to tour this historic house in the Laurel Highlands.

Edgar Jr. developed a passion for the arts much like his parents and went to Europe to pursue his love of painting. In 1934 Edgar Jr. turned his life in a different direction after reading Frank Lloyd Wrights autobiography where he was inspired to join the Taliesin fellowship.

Frank Lloyd Wright and his wife, Olgianna, founded the Taliesin in Wisconsin as an institute for artistic growth. In September of that year Edgar Jr. interviewed with Frank Lloyd Wright and a short time later was officially a member of the fellowship. It was during a visit to their son that Edgar and Liliane Kaufmann first met Frank Lloyd Wright and as they say, "the rest is history".

After Edgar Senior's death in 1955, Edgar Jr. inherited "Fallingwater" and used the home as a weekend retreat until the early 60's. Concerned for the preservation of the home Edgar

followed his father's wishes and he entrusted "Fallingwater" and 700 hundred acres of land to the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy.

When Frank Lloyd Wright met Edgar Kaufmann it was at a time in his career where his star had faded. Previously he had designed hundreds of buildings and had achieved architectural recognition around the world. But now he was known as an eccentric and clinging to old-fashioned ideas.

While many thought he was on the path to retirement, he in fact was entering one of the most creative and insightful periods of his life. After Fallingwater, Frank Lloyd Wright would go on to design the Guggenheim Museum in New York City, and more houses and buildings than he had previously. But "Fallingwater" would enshrine him as the greatest American Architect of all time.



The tour will make its way east until we can leave the highway and enjoy the colorful rolling hills, deep river valleys and high mountain peaks of the Laurel Highlands.

The Allegheny Chapter has made arrangements for exclusive tours of “Fallingwater” throughout the day. We have reserved the entire facility for the day to guarantee everyone will get a chance to tour this historic house.

Once registration opens participants can sign up for optional starting times. These various starting times are due to the fact that Falling Water

can only have 14 people on tour at a time.

The tour times are spaced every six minutes and with an expected large demand for this we encourage you to sign up early. As of this date we do not have a cost for the tour but more details will be available as we get closer to registration.

Watch for details and sign up early.

Brazilian Collector Tells

Henrique, a Brazilian enthusiast and Petrolicious reader, curates a good friend. Of the many fantastic old cars in their stable, a g

Below, he shares his thoughts on the old racer, his coll

BY PETROLICIOUS PRODUCTION

Q: CAN YOU TELL US A BIT ABOUT YOUR 2002?

A: This is a very special car because it is an original Alpina built for the tracks. Its first owner was the Brazilian driver Andreas Mattheis. Its whole history documented since new and has had only four owners. In 1969 Alpina built less than 20 cars like it and most of them were raced. It's the only Alpina in Brazil, that I'm aware of. The car's twice been to Germany to be restored and tested on the Nürburgring—we still have the track credentials! In 2002 it participated in the Bavaria Tour in Germany, a special event to celebrate the '02 Series.

Q: WHAT'S THE WORLD OF CLASSIC SPORTS CAR ENTHUSIASM LIKE IN BRAZIL?

A: It is growing a lot even if it is not very sophisticated yet. We have many meetings, fairs and clubs. More recently we have been developing many rallies that I appreciate because they allow a good opportunity to drive. For me it's much better to drive cars rather than just show them off.

Q: WHAT'S THE ALPINA LIKE TO DRIVE?

A: It's very fun to drive because it's a real vintage track car. It's very tough, very strong. The seats, the noise, the smell, the Getrag gearbox ... You always feel you are in a vintage racing car.

Q: HOW DO PEOPLE REACT TO IT?

A: Without an eye for details, it appears to be just a regular vintage BMW. But for car enthusiasts, especially those that know Alpina heritage, it's definitely something special and unique.

Q: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE CAR?

A: The engineering underneath it; forged internals, dual Weber 45's, and a general aggressive race tune that give 170 HP in a very light car. Its history, as previously mentioned, is also a big part of its appeal.

Q: IS THERE ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE TO CHANGE ABOUT YOUR CAR IF YOU COULD?

A: Some people think I should repaint it, but I enjoy the patina. It is not a show car, but a racing car to me, originality is more important than show readiness. I won't ever change it.

Q: THERE MUST BE SOME STUNNING SCENERY AND AMAZING DRIVING ROADS IN BRAZIL, CAN YOU TELL US A BIT ABOUT THEM AND WHAT YOUR FAVORITE ROAD IN PARTICULAR IS?

A: There are amazing driving roads in Brazil, but the country is too large to reach them all and road conditions are frequently poor. Trucks are the main mode of transport, and they share the highways with cars.

A good opportunity to drive with enthusiasm is in rallies like the Brazilian Historic 1000 Miglia.



Fun Alpina 2002Ti Story

is a wonderful collection of machines with his father and
gorgeous Alpina 2002Ti is among our favorites.

lection, and the burgeoning enthusiast scene in Brazil.





Q: IS YOUR 2002 ORIGINAL OR RESTORED?

A: It's been partially restored in some details but is generally fully original.

We've owned it since 2009.

Q: IS THERE A TRACK-DAY SCENE IN BRAZIL, AND IF SO, DO YOU TRACK IT?

A: There's a healthy trackday scene in Brazil, but I've never been part of that circle, instead preferring to race in local rallies and tours.

Q: DO YOU OWN ANY OTHER INTERESTING CARS, OR ARE THERE ANY YOU'D LOVE TO OWN SOMEDAY?

A: Yes, we maintain a collection focused on BMWs and other light sports cars of the

sixties and seventies. As far as BMW goes we have a '78 635CS tuned by Hartge with triple carbs and almost 300 HP, as well as a '73 3.0CSi, a standard '70 2002Ti, and a '96 Z3. The most interesting car in the collection, however, is not a BMW, but a Malzon—a rare Brazilian sports car based on DKW mechanicals, which is currently in the final stages



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of restoration. These cars can be viewed at oacervo.com, but the site is in Portuguese.

Q: ANYTHING ELSE YOU'D LIKE TO TELL US ABOUT?

A: I manage the collection with the help of two friends, my father, James, and my buddy Rodrigo. We research models, get them to a period-correct state, and sometimes sell cars on the side to fund the rest of the collection. It's very special to share a hobby with my father.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

This article was originally posted by Petrolicious (www.petrolicious.com) and Ted Gushue (Editorial Director) was gracious enough to allow me to print this in our newsletter. Directly quoted from their site "Petrolicious creates quality, original videos and articles for classic car enthusiasts. We celebrate the inventions, the personalities, and the aesthetics that ignite our collective lust for great machines. We are fans and fanatics, collectors and racers. We seek to inform, entertain, and inspire our community of aficionados and pique the interest of those who have been missing out. If you'd like to learn more, submit content, or join our team, email us at info@petrolicious.com." I personally have spent hours watching videos and reading their articles. Check them out! Share your own story and photos – submit to editor. allegheymbmw@gmail.com. Original post June 4, 2013



ROAD TRIP REVIEW

Fall Leaves Tour a First

New Member Joins Allegheny Chapter for First BMW First Drive

BY LISA BAXENDELL

It was only a few months after enjoying my new BMW when I was invited to sign up for a lunch gathering from my dealer. The lunch happened to be part of the activities happening during the Vintage Grand Prix in Pittsburgh. I thought, why not?

I had always read about the Vintage Grand Prix, but never found the time to attend. Not knowing what to expect, my friend and I slowly covered the grounds and eventually discovered a field of BMWs and the

BMW club tent. We explored most of the bimmers in the field and made our way to the tent. Thanks to my friend, it was then that I joined the BMW club.

What happened next? I signed up for the Fall Leaves drive with the Allegheny Chapter. My first BMW was making its first drive. I have to say I met a great group of people that day. Marianne was very welcoming and had great stories about previous drives and new activities planned in the upcoming months. We couldn't have asked for more sunshine that day. I enjoyed seeing all the different

New member joins chapter after visiting Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix tent and attends Fall Leaves Tour for first event.

BMW's and also enjoyed exchanging conversations about why everyone loved their car. The drive was wonderful, the weather was beautiful, and the afternoon spent with food and new friends was a fun and relaxing experience! I enjoyed it so much that my new BMW

has already completed its second drive! We recently participated in the "final drive" of the year, and again, enjoyed the drive, the weather, the food, and all the company along the way! My bimmer and I are preparing for many rides to come!

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ROAD TRIP REVIEW



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34th Annual Event a Reunion

Tradition of Fall Leaves Tour and Picnic Makes Members Happy

BY KATE FLAVIN

REFLECTIONS - The other day while riding the trolley to work, I got to thinking and “happy” seemed to be the word that best describes the most recent Fall Leaves Tour & Picnic.

Marianne (our club secretary & all around BEST volunteer and helper in the Club and world) was “happy”. She said, ‘the event was a success, we had enough from the raffle to buy a “Brick” to commemorate the event. She also cleared away some BMW logo gear that had

accumulated on her dining room table.

Rudi (Member @Large and “force” behind the event) was “happy”, after all, it was the 34th Annual Picnic, started before some of you were born.

We had great weather, excellent turn-out, no auto-related incidents, delicious food, and 3 generations of Rudi-ites were in attendance.

Our son, Tom (an associate member, whose been coming to the picnics since he was in utero) was “happy” to continue a tradition. He brought his daughter and his dog and they all ran free.

He even was a tour-guide on a walking trip to the pond and original log cabin of Wat-

ters Smith.

Kate was “happy” that everything was smooth: the drive, weather, set-up, food, preparation and clean-up. Great help from all, as usual, and new assistant grill-meister, Arlene, made her debut. It was a NO-STRESS event.

West Virginians, Dave, Adam, Eddie & Jim were “happy” to be there and share a lasting friendship and traditional Jager toast with Rudi & the Allegheny Gang.

My darling granddaughter’s philosophy on life is “Be Happy” and I believe we were, @ the 34th Annual FLT@P

Love to all,
Kate

Tom (an associate member, who has been coming to the picnics since he was in utero) was “happy” to continue the tradition, attending with his daughter and dog.

Autocross Season Ends

Series a Success Thanks to Pittsburgh International Race Complex

BY JEFF TAYLOR

The season started off with a mix of BMW's many a different models and some with modifications. These variances of models and modifications placed cars into 7 different classes. We had hoped to be able to field 3 or 4 contested classes but unfortunately by the end of the season we only had one contested class.

A contested class is when you have enough participants in one class who show up to at least three of the six scheduled autocrosses. A scoring system is

used based on the participant's three timed autocross runs. Normally, 3 points are awarded for best time, 2 points for 2nd and 1 for third or participation. Then to calculate the winner of the series the best three results of each participant out of the 6 sessions are tabulated and a winner is determined.

Our May autocross, which was the first of the year featured eight participants running in 5 different classes. We had JD Wager in Modified with his Mini Cooper, Bob Bush in his Mustang 5.0 and Chris Williams in his Crown Vic representing the

open class, Jeff and Jesse Taylor in a 135i, and Vincente Munn in a Z4 in Stock 2, David Miller in his 535TD, Justin Zimmerman in his slightly modified stealth 325i running the Tuner 3 class. The layout of the course

was averaging around 39.5 seconds to run and there were only 2 participants who recorded in the 38 second range. Of the contested classes in the Open Class, Bob Bush was awarded 3 points for his winning time

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of 39.227 and Jesse Taylor was awarded 3 points for his impressive time of 38.731.

The Session 2 Autocross was held in May, and started out with 3 contested classes. Due to a mechanical issue with the Taylor's modified 1976 2002 only Jesse Taylor completed his runs. The Open Classe, again pitted Bob Bush and Chris Williams but Chris's Crown Vic interceptor was no match for Bob's Mustang and Bob easily won by 2 seconds. Our largest class, Stock 2, had four participants, Romain Condenna M5, Ken Stanko

M235i, and Jeff and Jesse Taylor 135i. The three points went to Jeff Taylor when on his last run he turned in a 37.448 beating his son by 3/10 of a second.

June's autocross was held on another beautiful day (our third in a row) at Pitt Race. This was one of our smaller fields and we only had the Stock 2 class contested. Jeff and Jesse Taylor were back at it again in their 135i. Jesse would have won the day had he not hit a cone early on his run that penalized him 2 seconds. The result was that Jeff Taylor received the three points and Jesse only two points.

With half the season over in the Open Class, we had Bob Bush ahead of Chris Williams by 2 points and in the Stock 2 class, Jeff and Jesse Taylor were tied with 7 points each.

The start the second half of the season was greeted with storms and rain showers and not many came out to try their skill level in the rain. Only the Taylors comprised a contested class and Jesse Taylor learned a hard lesson in the rain about ABS. The cost for that lesson was the 3 points awarded to his Dad, Jeff Taylor who had the fastest time of the day and beat his son by a half second.

September's autocross was on a picture perfect sunny blue sky day and the warm weather brought out numerous drivers to the autocross. We had all of the classes represented but only Bob Bush and Jeff Taylor were in the running for a contested class. They both easily won their

classes and took a firm lead in the standings. Bob Weir brought his M2 out and everyone was impressed with its performance.

Our final autocross of the year, had most of our regulars, Bob Busch, Dave Miller, Justin Zimmerman and Chris Williams. Chris brought his modified 2002 placing him in a different class and ending the chance for Bob Bush to win a contested class. Jesse Taylor missed his second autocross and ended his chance at a series Class Win.

So our only contested class, Stock 2, series win goes to Jeff Taylor for the second year in a row.

We wanted to thank Pittsburgh International Race Complex for sponsoring our Autocross Series and anyone who came out to try their hand at Autocross, especially, Justin Zimmerman, Dave Miller, and Bob Bush for their continued support.

Allegheny Chapter thanks Justin Zimmerman, Dave Miller, Bob Bush and all members who came out to try their hand at Autocross for their support throughout the season.



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CLUB FINANCIALS

BMW CLUB - ALLEGHENY CHAPTER	
Balance Sheet	
As of September 30, 2016	
	Sep 30, 16
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 - CASH	
1010 - OPERATING ACCT	12,761.32
1020 - PVGP ACCOUNT	8,125.75
1030 - MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	10,615.42
Total 1000 - CASH	31,502.49
Total Checking/Savings	31,502.49
Total Current Assets	31,502.49
Fixed Assets	
1300 - EQUIPMENT	
1301 - CLUB EQUIPMENT	169.49
Total 1300 - EQUIPMENT	169.49
Total Fixed Assets	169.49
TOTAL ASSETS	31,671.98
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
5000 - EQUITY	
6001 - CLUB EQUITY	34,711.89
Total 5000 - EQUITY	34,711.89
Net Income	-3,039.91
Total Equity	31,671.98
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	31,671.98

BMW CLUB - ALLEGHENY CHAPTER	
Profit & Loss	
January through September 2016	
	Jan - Sep 16
Income	
6000 - INCOME	
6001 - MEMBERSHIP DUES	8,633.58
6002 - EVENT INCOME	2,731.65
6003 - CALENDAR SALES	41.65
6004 - ADVERTISING	7,700.00
6005 - PVGP	12,042.00
6006 - AUTOCROSS	1,140.00
6015 - STREET SURVIVAL	2,527.61
6030 - INTEREST INCOME	0.88
6050 - MISC. INCOME	20.00
Total 6000 - INCOME	34,837.37
Total Income	34,837.37
Expense	
7000 - EXPENSES	
7001 - SUPPLIES	41.77
7002 - POSTAGE	166.22
7003 - MEETING EXPENSES	53.00
7006 - INSURANCE	170.20
7009 - EVENT EXPENSE	6,871.57
7010 - TRAVEL	392.40
7011 - NEWSLETTER	11,593.03
7012 - Donations	1,348.00
7020 - PVGP	13,574.33
7025 - STREET SURVIVAL	2,686.81
7070 - MSR FEES	343.70
7080 - MISC. EXPENSE	550.00
7090 - BANK FEES	86.25
Total 7000 - EXPENSES	37,877.28
Total Expense	37,877.28
Net Income	-3,039.91

NEW MEMBERS

The Allegheny Chapter extends a warm welcome to the following new members:

AUGUST 2016

Gary Streiner – Evans City
 David Hutcheson – Venetia
 Paul Carberry – Pittsburgh
 Ernest Harris – Pittsburgh
 Jeffrey Rosenthal – Pittsburgh
 Roy Foster – Pittsburgh
 Michael Nikolov –
 Hidden Valley Lake, CA
 Jon-Michel Seman – Pittsburgh
 Conan Edey – Victoria BC
 AC Spencer – Edmond, OK
 Bruce Konsugar – Eight Four
 Mark Bello – Saint Cloud, MN
 Richard Radzik – Bridgeville
 Matthew Jones – Fort Lewis, WA

SEPTEMBER 2016

David Kline – Hermitage
 Paola Bernola – Edmond, OK
 Alan Serena – McKeesport
 David Lilienthal – McMurray
 Richard Crumrine Jr. – Beaver
 Marc Nyarko – Wexford
 Gayl Bungo – Baden
 Greg Kawalkin – Bethel Park

OCTOBER 2016

John Litzenger – Pittsburgh
 Andrew Madalena – Bethel Park
 Duztin Watson – Finleyville
 Jonathan Droznenk – Braddock
 Mark Weil – Oakdale
 William Dempsey – Pittsburgh
 Thomas Bassett – Elizabeth
 Michael Silva – Pittsburgh
 Scott Hodges – Canonsburg

MILESTONES

Please join us in congratulating the following members who are celebrating membership milestones this quarter:



Edward Yanov

15 Years

Mark Chornick
 Timothy West
 Michael Watson
 Dave Bentz

10 Years

Tyler Wood
 Courtney Mouton
 Andrew Klutka



Keep Current

Have you moved or changed email? The National Office maintains one database of membership information. It is used for USPS mailings, such as the Roundel and chapter newsletter, and for email blasts of the weekly electronic Roundel and chapter blasts of updated information. It is important that your addresses are current. Update your information at www.bmwcca.org. Follow instructions to create a username and password and log in to your account.



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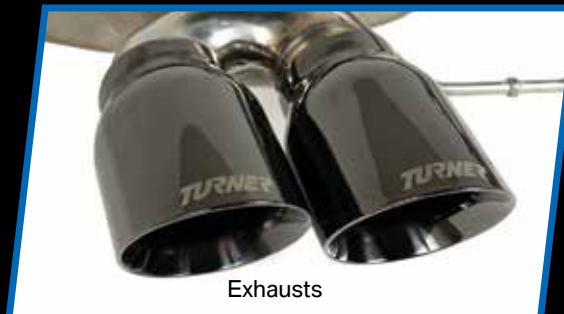
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Chapter to Hold Elections

Members Named on 2016 Ballot Release Candidacy Statements

PRESIDENT

GEORGE SNYDER

Fellow members, it has been an honor to be President of the Allegheny Chapter for the past two years. The members of the chapter never cease to amaze me on how generous and welcoming they are.

It would be a pleasure and an honor to continue on as President of the Allegheny Chapter and to serve you the members of the chapter.

VICE PRESIDENT

EMILIO VENEZIANO

My name is Emilio L. Veneziano and I want to continue taking an active role in the ongoing growth, success and bright future of the Allegheny Chapter BMW CCA.

We have a strong BMW club with a goal of meeting new people, enjoying our vehicles, and helping others. I already serve as the Chapter's Webmaster and Communication Coordinator and would like

to offer my experience and talents to further help our chapter by serving as the Vice President.

I have held many leadership roles in my profession and while in college. I had served as the President of the MIS Club for two years and the Vice President of the Auto Club for 3 years while attending Penn State.

I also lead many large enterprise projects which span thousands of users and many countries in my professional IT career.

I am a dedicated, hard-working, and passionate individual who has a deep love for

BMW and the community that follows.

I would greatly appreciate your vote for me, Emilio L. Veneziano, to serve as your Vice President for the Allegheny Chapter of the BMW CCA. Let's take the Ultimate BMW Club for the Ultimate Driving Machine into the future!

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Candidate Statements Continued

Members to Vote for Seven Positions on Allegheny Chapter Ballot

SECRETARY

MARIANNE MEEHAN

I have been a member of the BMW CCA for 27 years, actively participating in Allegheny Chapter events for the past 12 years.

I have served as Chapter Secretary, as well as the Membership Coordinator, for 4 years. Last June, was honored to be named the 2015 Volunteer of the Year for the North Atlantic Region BMW CCA.

I would appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve the members of the Allegheny Chapter as the Chapter Secretary for 2017.

TREASURER

DARLENE LIPOVSEK

I am running for the position of Treasurer. My qualifications include a BSBA in Accounting, a MBA and 30 years of experience as a Corporate Controller.

As the Treasurer this year, I have converted the Club records using Quickbooks and am able to provide professional quality financials to the Club.

MEMBER AT LARGE 1

THOMAS (RUDI) FLAVIN

As members of Allegheny Chapter we lead a charmed existence. I feel it.

Not only do we enjoy an enhanced ownership experience as BMW CCA members but our enthusiastic corps of volunteers, officers, committee members, event organizers, helpers and you, participants in all the fun, have given us a year of events and activities to remember. We have been recognized as "The" outstanding chapter in the whole world and we have the volunteer of the year in our club.

I am proud to have been your representative on the Board of Directors as Member at Large.

Having had the privilege of serving as your Member at Large for thirty-one of now beginning my 34th year of Club membership, I've worn almost innumerable "hats". From sitting on committees to end of day/event cleanup, Rudi is or has been there. I also served a decade as Newsletter Editor and continue to organize The Fall Leaves Tour & Picnic committee.

My strongest assets, I believe, are bringing continuity to the Chapter's memory of what we have done and how it worked out and an open-

ness to presenting new, exciting experiences for our Chapter's members.

I promise to continue to be a strong advocate of driving events, to continue attending every meeting event and activity possible, and to be an accessible channel for voicing your ideas, opinions and, yes, criticism to the Board of Directors.

I support the slate of current office holders in this election of officers to the Board of Directors and endorse installing an additional, Member at Large onto the Board.

Like you, I hope, I look forward to an exciting new year shared with fellow members of the Allegheny Chapter. Thank you for your vote.

MEMBER AT LARGE 2

TIM SWISHER

For those of you not familiar with me, a short bio is in order. I was born and raised in the north hills of Pittsburgh. I hold a BS in Education and a Masters Degree in Audiology. I am a retired Major from the US Army. My 20 years of service in the Army have provided me with organization, discipline and management skills that will be an asset to the Chapter. I am currently self-employed and specialize in hearing loss prevention. Being self-employed, I have the free-

dom and flexibility to allow me to devote the time necessary to the management and activities of the Allegheny Chapter. In addition, I am a member of several professional and social organizations in which I have held leadership/training positions.

I purchased my first BMW in 2011 (an E30 325i cabriolet) and joined the chapter soon thereafter. It didn't take long to get hooked on both accounts. I now own two E30 convertibles (for fun), and an X1 (for everything else), and love to drive/display them at club events. Old or new, I appreciate that we not only admire our cars, but drive them as they were intended. Our chapter is such a great support group that my volunteering efforts of working at the PVGP, developing artwork concepts, and supporting AV needs, have been enjoyable and positive contributions.

As an Officer-at-Large, I am confident that I will provide the time and experience needed to assure that the Allegheny Chapter continues to be recognized as the best in the world.

MEMBER AT LARGE 2

BRETT SUTTON

I am honored to accept the nomination for the position of Member at Large.

Members at Large represent and are accountable to the

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general membership of the chapter. Although members at large usually don't have specific duties, they generally take direction from and make recommendations to the board officers. Additional responsibilities commonly include being working members of committees or sub committees formed to complete specific portions of a larger or complex task.

I have enjoyed a long tenure as an active officer for the chapter over the past 10 years, serving as both President and most recently Vice President. I have seen the growth of the chapter and am proud of my contributions to that progress that has led to both national

and international recognition by the National BMW CCA and the International Council of BMW.

These leadership roles have provided the foundation that positions me as a strong candidate for the Member at Large with not only wide relationships across our membership base, but deep relationships across the BMW CCA family at the local and national level.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Vice President for the past three years and also as your President prior to 2013. I am now running for Member at Large to assist in a smooth transition for the

new Vice President and to continue to provide guidance for our chapter by delivering a voice for all of the membership as we continue to grow and strengthen the chapter. Regardless of the outcome of the election, I will still remain as your CCA Club race coordinator, PVGP Director 2017, and the co-chairman for O'fest 2018.

SOCIAL DIRECTOR

ALLEN CHRISTIAN

For the past 18 months I have had the privilege of working with a very diverse

group of Allegheny Chapter Members, all with different interests, skills and talents, to coordinate and arrange social events and driving events for the Allegheny Chapter. We have attempted to maintain traditional events and add some new adventures to the events calendar.

We understand that not all events will appeal to all members, but if you have enjoyed the events you have attended and would like to continue with a similar agenda for the Allegheny Chapter in the year ahead, I would consider it a further privilege to continue in the capacity of Social Coordinator. Thank you.

2016 Allegheny Chapter Election Ballot

PRESIDENT

☐ George Snyder

VICE PRESIDENT

☐ Emilio Veneziano

SECRETARY

☐ Marianne Meehan

TREASURER

☐ Darlene Lipovsek

MEMBER AT LARGE 1

☐ Thomas (Rudi) Flavin

MEMBER AT LARGE 2

☐ Tim Swisher
☐ Brett Sutton

SOCIAL DIRECTOR

☐ Allen Christian

Ballots are to be returned to the Election Secretary by January 31, 2017; ballots received after that date will not be included. Ballots may be e-mailed to tnolan@ieinsurancepa.com or mailed to: Tiffany Nolan, i.e. Insurance, 430 Harmony Way, Suite B, Harmony, PA 16037. The Election Secretary will tabulate the results, to be presented at the Annual Meeting on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at Atria's PNC Park.

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