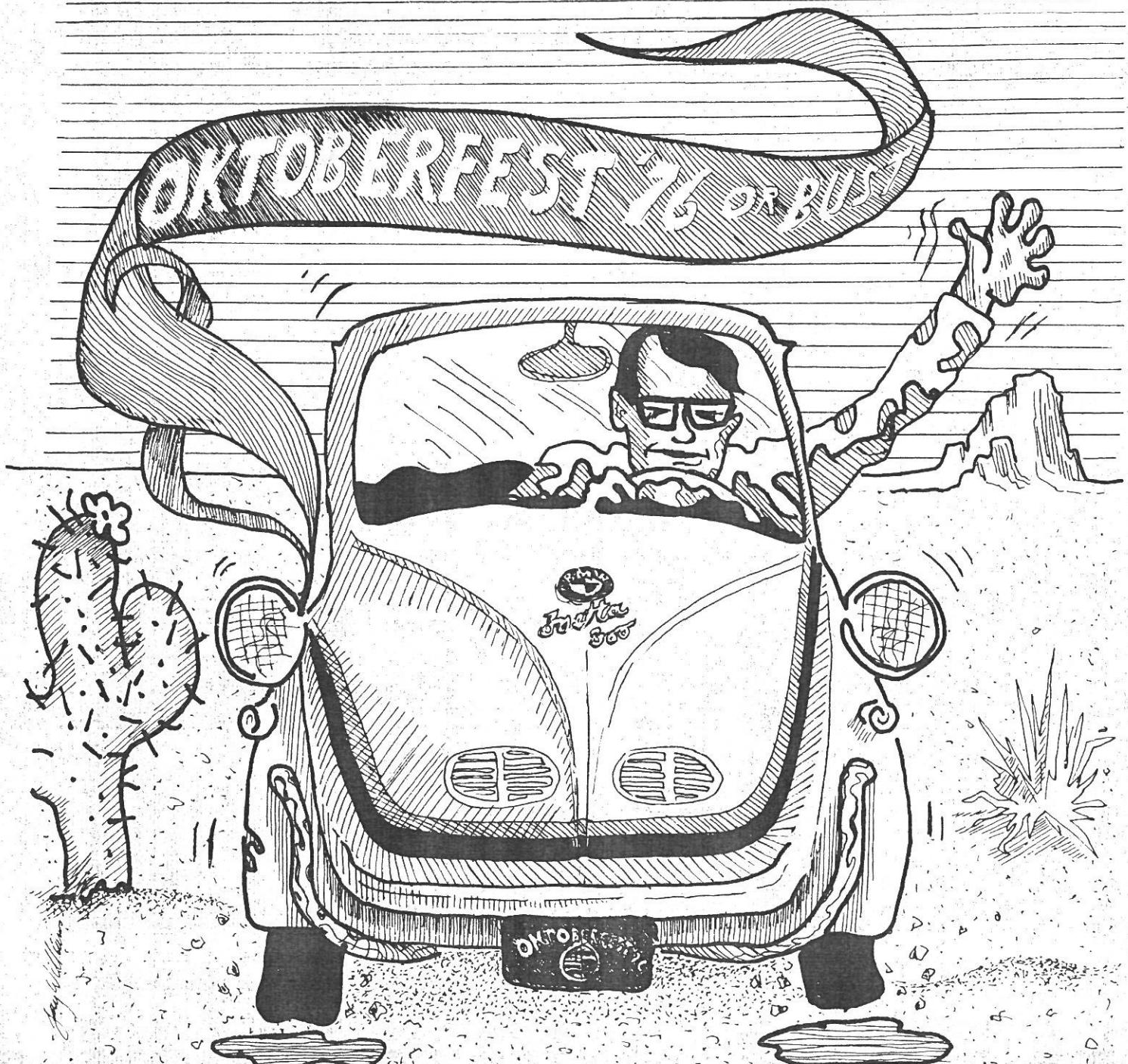


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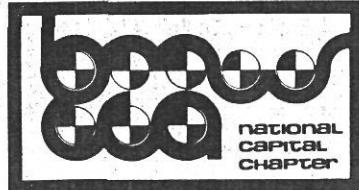
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## Editor's Note

One more month! That's four weeks...only 30 days before the biggest, most lavish event of the year for BMWCCA. So don't wait to be called upon, join in and be part of it as a helper. Call our OKTOBERFEST Chairman, Chet Kingsbury, RIGHT NOW!!!!!!

Send material to go in next month's issue to me by the end of this month to: Jay Williams, 11919 Franklin Street, Beltsville, MD 20705. Remember that der bayerische issues are scheduled to be received by members the weekend before that month's meeting.

### THE CONTINUING SAGA: BIMMER AT BEACON

Well, I'm glad to report that this is the final episode about my BMW repair.

After two weeks out of the shop and being thoroughly tested, I find the engine R&R work done by Satelite to be fine, and the front suspension and body work by Robert at Beacon is the best. John at Beacon did the metallic brown paint job, which, all told, considering the difficulty of that type of paint job, seems to be far superior to most. It wasn't exactly a factory job, but only the uncanny "bionic eye" of someone like Chet Kingsbury could possibly be able to detect any flaws. Beacon's price is not the lowest, but neither is their craftsmanship.

Anyone else want to send me a short memo on a repair experience? Or, a more detailed report to Service Chairman, Mel Morganstein might be in order.

P.S.: It seems that my experience has directed some members to go to Beacon. Hopefully, they will report their findings via der bayerische.

### LAST CALL FOR BMW SILVER ANNIVERSARY BOOKS

September meeting will be the last day before I'll put in orders for this book on the history of BMW. \$15.00. Limited availability of this publication may make it necessary to distribute this in first come, first served order. At this writing six members have deposited \$15.00 checks to secure their spot on this list. I hope everyone will get their order filled.-Ed.

### THIS TIME YOU KNEW!

Our parties and get-togethers to date have always seemed to be a little light on new members or existing ones who never seem to be seen. Usually, a group of about the same fifteen to twenty members show up. I always felt that the other 300 or so local members don't get enough of a pre-warning about such good time happenings, so last month we attempted to rectify this situation and made front cover exposure and a detailed map with the provision that even though it was RSVP you could still change your mind at the last minute and come along and join us at the National Capital Chapter Wine and Cheese Party.

Well, the party was great fun, but still many of our 300+ members still did not show -- Why?

I hope to develop a questionnaire that may bring out the reasons. See you at the next meeting?-Ed.

### BIMMER AND THE BUNNY

In the September issue of Playboy is the sexiest, most exciting turn-on I've seen for some time... A big red 530i BMW--WOW! Oh, by the way, Lillian Müller (1976 Playmate of the Year) is sitting on the hood, hopefully not disturbing the finish. The 530i was her prize for winning Playmate of the Year. Too bad we all can't win one that way! Maybe she has become a club member and will come to OKTOBERFEST! Just think, seeing in person such a magnificent big bright red 530i.....WOW! -Ed.





# the Jetta

"If the car breaks down, I'll fix it on the spot. There will be no towing." That is the statement made by Ron Sherer-Davis about the Overland Flyer, a BMW Isetta, said to be the missing link between motorcycles and automobiles. To learn more about this record breaking trip from California to the East Coast, read the article by J. Richard Mansfield in the Roundel, July issue.

Our Oktoberfest Chairman, Chet Kingsbury, received the following letter:

"Dear Chet,

Would the National Capital Chapter be willing to donate the cost of my registration for the Oktoberfest to the Overland Flyer? Even with the contributions I've received, this record setting trip is devouring every penny in my bank account. I've enclosed my registration form in the event your Chapter agrees to this idea. If not, let me know, and I'll try to raise the \$30. My wife is planning on moving us to Alabama or Georgia just before I depart in the Flyer from California, so I would greatly appreciate any help I can get from your Chapter on registration. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
*Ron Sherer-Davis*  
 4700 Bandera, #3  
 Montclair, CA. 91763

Well, if you came to the August meeting, you either watched or took part in the auction of old ceramic beer mug trophies which successfully

raised Ron's registration for Oktoberfest as well as some funds for our treasury. Each outdated trophy had initials to indicate the event. The highest bid was given by Fred Weinberg, who was rewarded with the mug which was inscribed "First Place for B.S.!!" Although all who got a "trophy by auction" sort of qualify for b.s. when they place it on their mantle at home! The upshot of Dave Toy's successful auction was when I later picked up a similar mug from his mantel and he quickly tried to convince me it was a genuinely earned one!

Now, getting back to Ron's Isetta trip..... We all wish him the best of luck and look forward to greeting him here in the nation's Capital of this end of the long road at OKTOBERFEST '76!!

#### Proposed target dates:

September 27	-- Leave California
October 1	-- Flagstaff
October 3	-- Albuquerque
October 6	-- Denver
October 9	-- Kansas City
October 10	-- St. Louis
October 11	-- Indianapolis
October 12	-- St. Mary's
October 13	-- Cleveland
October 16	-- Lexington-Concord
October 17	-- Boston & the official reception

South through New York, Baltimore, finally in Washington, D.C. in time for OKTOBERFEST '76! Be sure to come and greet Ron and the "Overland Flyer." -Ed.

Would you REALLY rather have a Buick?

#### RALLY

Our Championship Rally was presented on August 15th. Rallymaster Mike Leeper put together a challenging course of 160 miles full of "cheap traps and hokey tricks." Overall winners were Mark Evangelista and Dick Grosbier, of BRANDED, with over 700 penalty points (that's a lot!). Mike deserves a standing ovation and heartfelt thanks for his effort. But he's not the only one--we owe our success also to twenty-nine club members and friends who came out and worked the rally course and got thoroughly drenched in the process. A very heavy thunderstorm rumbled its way across the course in the afternoon, blowing over signs and turning dirt roads into mud puddles. In spite of it all, the rally was a success. Again, thanks to those who helped.

Dave Roach

#### "DRIVING THEM WILD!"

The August issue of Road and Track has a story about the new BMW 700 Series automobile on page 107. Although the verbiage is rather scant, the illustrations are superb. On pages 54-56 is a feature story entitled "Driving Them Wild", a narrative account with photographs of impressions of the 300 and 600 series BMWs. These are specifically the 320i and the 633CSi. The September 1975 issue of Road and Track has more information about the 320i, and the June 1976 issue details the CS coupe. According to Road and Track, both automobiles should be available in the show rooms not later than November 15, 1976! If you're interested, place your order now. Rumor has it that new options will be available for the first time in the USA. These include five speed gear boxes, Recaro bucket seats, etc., etc. Sorry to break your heart, but no availability date for the BMW TURBO was announced. Put your \$36,000+ back in the bank for now.



# BMWs & CBs



by Bill Haines  
KKI 4575

Should you buy a C.B. now? It depends upon a number of things. The FCC has approved an additional 17 channels for CB use beginning January 1, 1977. It will not make obsolete those radios now being used or offered for sale, but will limit their use much as was the case with earlier economy crystal operated sets.

A few of the pitfalls of buying a set at this time are:

1. The FCC will not allow any "add on" equipment to any current radio so as to permit it to utilize the new channels;
2. Some manufacturers claim to be able to, at a fee ranging from 10% to 20% of the LIST price of the radio, modify a radio to utilize the new channels, but there is no indication of the amount of time it will take; and
3. Depending upon the number of units you want, any conversion could prove costly.

Look at the brighter side of buying now. Many of the current CB operators will be rushing to the new channels via new radios or conversions and the pressure will be taken off the current 23 channels. Also, the new channels intrude upon some already established, licensed operators within the new channels who may not appreciate the CB operators and with greater power can interfere with communications.

Questions concerning CB are invited but do not include technical inquiries. The technical aspects of CB radio are the purview of the FCC licensed technician.

Later columns will include general information about CB radios and the accessories you will need or want for their operation.

W.A. Haines  
KKI 4575

Bill has answered my call to head up our CB Department of the club and contribute a continuous column in der bayerische. Member Roy Morse was our conduit to Bill, who is not a club member or even a BMW owner, but is willing to help out. So, as he introduces us to the world of CBs we should show him our gratitude by introducing him to the world of BMWs. We hope the "Dirty Old Man" (his CB handle) will find the joy of a BMW someday, even if it is a well kept older one.

Bill indicated that he now has a part-time CB business and next year, upon retirement, he plans a "casual" CB shop that will be open evenings for the convenience of the working person. Discounts and general CB advice to

members may be in the offering. For now Bill says if anyone has inquiries, you can write to Bill Haines, 1806 Cody Dr., Silver Spring, MD 20902. -Ed.

## 10-4 BACK DOOR

Having trouble deciphering all that jargon on your C.B.? Well, here's something that may help you out -- some of the sources for "C.B. Dictionaries": "The Official C.B. Slanguage Language Dictionary", by Lanie Dills (\$2.95), at local booksellers; "Jason's Authentic Dictionary of C.B. Slang", from Jason Press, Dept. #B-18, P.O. Box 7750, Ft. Worth, Texas 76111. Do you copy? -Ed.

The club needs an activities chairman for the balance of the year. Anyone interested in the job should get in touch with Estelle Torpy.

There was no old or new business.

A buy-and-sell session was held.

Dave Toy did a very good job of auctioning off the beer mugs to raise Ron Sherer-Davis' O'Fest entry fee. We made \$47, so there was money left over to go into the club treasury.

The rest of the meeting was a social mixer to give new and old members a chance to get acquainted.

Bob Critchlow, Secretary

## Meeting Minutes

BMWCCA Monthly Meeting August 17, 1976  
President Estelle Torpy called the meeting to order at 8:25 p.m.

New members were introduced.

Estelle gave a brief report on our championship rally of the previous weekend: The rally -- done by Mike Leeper -- was difficult, but apparently well received by most of the contestants. There were a few problems, but overall it was a success.

Chet Kingsbury, reporting on O'Fest activities, mentioned a request from Ron Sherer-Davis that the National Capital Chapter donate his O'Fest entry fee. Ron is driving a BMW Isetta 300 cross country from California to O'Fest, and is doing it on a financial shoestring. As the chapter treasury cannot afford such donations, we decided to auction off a number of ceramic mugs (with BMWCCA logos) that had been previously purchased for autocross trophies, but had remained unclaimed.

Members were reminded of the wine-and-cheese party on August 27th.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved as published in der bayerische.

Jay Williams gave a newsletter report: We again have a printer for the bayerische, but he is expensive. We still need an advertising editor, and Jay would like to have someone begin writing a column on CB radios.

## GERMANY OR BUST

Wouldn't you love inspecting the BMW factory in Munich and visiting the Bavarian countryside? Trans Atlantic Travel Service owned by BMWCCA member John Adomonis has arranged a one week delux tour designed for dealers, but it is open to BMWCCA members. The group leaves from Boston on October 7. The cost, which includes most meals, is \$845 per person. Car rentals and a few side trips are extra. If you'd like complete details, call (617) 268-8764.

From the Boston Bimmer Chapter



To All Members:

I am sure that you all know we have 1 month till OKTOBERFEST '76'. The key to a successful event is you. In order to bring off a convention of this size with the minimal of problems, we need National Capital members to staff the various activities. If you have any time to spare during O'fest, your assistance would be greatfully appreciated. Not only is this an excellant way to learn more about the various motorsports involved and meet other BMW people from around the U.S. and Canada but also several parties, staff T-shirts, and other benefits. So here is your chance to get involved in our largest and most prestigious event of the year. Please sign up for as many activities as you can, your assistance is needed to give the BMWCCA the best Oktoberfest yet.

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OCT. 22	<u>NOVICE DRIVERS SCHOOL</u> All Day	<input type="checkbox"/> TECH <input type="checkbox"/> PITS <input type="checkbox"/> FLAG
OCT. 23	<u>CONCOUR d'ELEGANCE</u> Morning	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
	<u>RALLY</u> Afternoon	Checkpoint Staff <input type="checkbox"/> _____
OCT. 24	<u>AUTOCROSS</u> All Day	TECH <input type="checkbox"/> COURSEWORKER <input type="checkbox"/> _____
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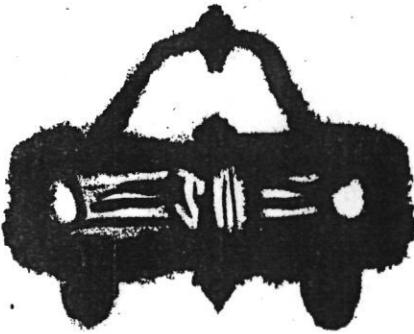
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"THE BIMMERLESS TRAUMA"



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wish to make mention of this psychological phenomena. It is a state of mind in which my wife, Dianne, and I found ourselves, simultaneously, about four months ago when we front-ended our 2002.

Well, we never knew of this mental disorder, at believe me, it is profound. First, of course, is the initial shock of the damage itself--bent sheet metal, the beautiful contours of the BMW tape and simple and elegant grille staring at us with this tremendous harelip with a cold sore. The perfectly applied metallic brown surface cracking in folds exposing the superior steel used in these vehicles. In this case, the front emblem was left untouched, but it looked strangely out of place.

Then, seconds later the next wave of concern came, THE ENGINE! With the hinges located forward, the opening of the hood was less than graceful, quickly checking for the counterpart of broken ribs and damaged vital organs, and internal bleeding, which fortunately was not the case here.

The next concern was finally our personal injuries. (The Bimmer, of course, was first.) We, like most of our fellow club members, had made itting on our seat belts a habit, and we both survived with nothing more than the pain of watching our hood crumble in front of us, as if we were viewing it on TV. KEEP THEM BUCKLED UP FRIENDS! IT PAYS!

Yet, the most severe effect of all this was the "BIMMERLESS TRAUMA." You know that feeling when you first became the owner of a BMW? Do you remember when you discovered you have a fine taste in automobiles? That touch of class? And that kuberant feeling that you have ARRIVED? Well, the "BIMMERLESS TRAUMA" is the reverse of all that, the other end, negative as opposed to positive. I walked to work from the parking lot on the days after the incident, where I either deposited my old standby '66 Volvo or a dependable yet rough riding Jeep. As I took this daily walk through the downtown traffic, I felt less together, approximately 2½ inches shorter, a little more overweight than usual, my clothes didn't seem to fit as well any more, I was less positive at my work, most things seemed a little rawer than before, etc. When going to appoint-

ments via walking, cabs, or in one of my standby cars, each shocking sight of a BMW, old or new, would be like a kick in the head. I look at the confident driving individual behind the wheel (they always look confident) and I would think to myself, "keep your safety belt on, drive alertly as possible and hopefully you will never have to suffer from the "BIMMERLESS TRAUMA".

Your regression into pre-Bimmer days deepens as the days of BIMMERLESS increases. By three months you reach a point where you're not sure if the smoothness, power and general good driving feeling was real or a dream that never was a reality. Your mind sort of begins to rationalize in this manner, but the next sighting of a Bimmer gives you a stinging flashback.

Finally (if you're lucky), the only cure is the return of "THE MACHINE." This, my friends, is a surge that is impressive. Disbelieving it is really true during the first minutes, if not hours, stays with you, then all the things mentioned earlier come back quickly, you walk the way you did before, things are bright and clear, etc., etc.

This brings me to a good reason to be a member of this club.....If you are fortunate enough to be a BMWCCA member, you could have, as we did, the consoling and technical advice from other members, as well as general sympathetic ears which only Bimmer owners can understand. This helped us over the bad times until we could rejoin the flock (especially the flying ones).

Well, there it is. Dianne and I are now both completely cured and hope that none of you will ever become inflicted with the "BIMMERLESS TRAUMA." -Ed.

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# **Classifieds**

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FOR SALE: 1970 BMW 2002. Owned and maintained by automotive nut! Low mi. (honest 55k). Body in very good shape, no rust & just painted (GM metallic maroon). Engine in good condition with oil changed every 3000 mi. (Now has Mobil 1) Sunroof. Many extra goodies, including: suspension mods (lowered with 22.5mm sway bars F & R, HD rear suspension); exhaust headers with free-flow exhaust system; remote-mounted extra large size oil filter (Type FL-1) mounted in air stream; radiator overflow tank, trunk-mounted extra large size capacity battery (4 mos. old); QI driving light; air horns; slide-in CB mount incl. antenna lead & trunk mount, with PA; elec. fuel pump with xtra fuel filter & secret cutoff switches; rear window defroster; & other neat stuff. New rear brake shoes (few mos. old) and new tires all around (Dunlop SP-4's). Two mounted studded snow tires, plus mounted spare, plus a spare unmounted. Spare parts and shop manual. \$2900. Mel Morganstein - 384-5858.

FOR SALE: One copy of CHILTON'S BMW 2  
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Willy Moore (301) 350-1285.

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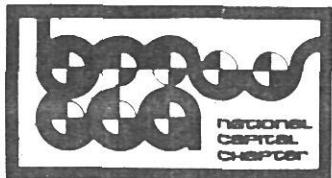
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the K at (301) 464-1946.

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## Advertising in der bayerische

Most members agree that it would be financially beneficial to encourage merchants to advertise in our newsletter. The only problem is that an effective advertising program does require effort. The position of Advertising Manager(s) is now open to coordinate the program. The manager would be responsible for contacting merchants and following up on leads from other members, while coordinating with the editor, who will help with the artistic direction in the layout of the advertisements. More than one person could work together. Please contact Editor if you would like to try.

I've been told these guys are really good, so check them out for your next shop job, and tell them you saw this ad! --Editor



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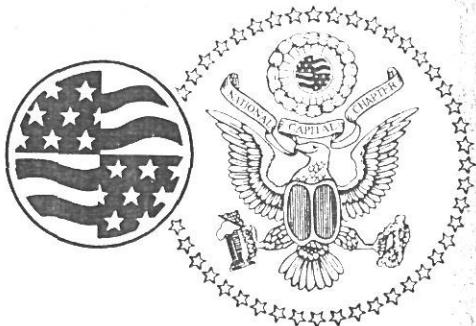
## **Calendar of Events**

### SEPTEMBER

- 12 - SESCA MWCSCC Championship Rally #1
- 17-19 - BASCC Monte Carlo Weekend, Baltimore (301) 823-6475
- 18-19 - Mid-Atlantic Regional Race, Summit Point
- 21 - BMWCCA Monthly Meeting
- 26 - MGCC Autocross (CAC)

### OCTOBER

- 2-3 - WERA Motorcycle Races, Summit Point
- 3 - Branded MWCSCC Championship Rally #2
- 3 - Laguna Seca Raceway, Monterey, CA  
IMSA Camel GT & Radial Challenge
- 8-10 - USGP Watkins Glen, NY
- 10 - MCMC Autocross (CAC)
- 10 - AROC Cherished Date TSD Rally
- 10 - IMSA Camel GT & Radial Challenge, Mid-America Raceway, Wentzville, MO
- 17 - PCA MWCSCC Championship Rally
- 19 - NO BMWCCA MONTHLY MEETING! An OKTOBERFEST worker's meeting will be held instead.



20-24 - OKTOBERFEST '76 BMWCCA (301) 464-1946

- 24 - IMSA Camel GT & Radial Challenge, Mexico City, Mexico
- 25 - Veterans Day

### NOVEMBER

- 7 - SESCA MWCSCC Championship Rally #2, D.C.
- 14 - CSCC Team Trophy Championship Rally, Baltimore
- 21 - WRC MWCSCC Championship Rally #2 D.C. 978-8241



- 25 - Thanksgiving Day
- 28 - VMC TSD Rally, Baltimore

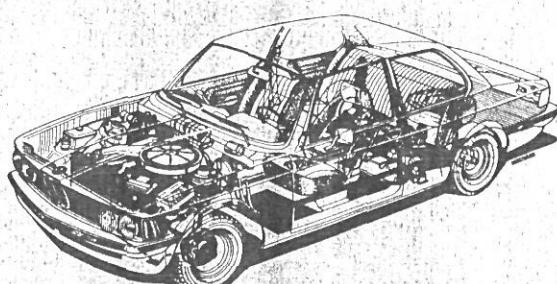
### DECEMBER

- 5 - CCA Cherished Date TSD Rally, D.C.

ANYONE FOR ACTIVITIES CHAIRPERSON?????????????  
Denise Price has recently resigned as our Activities Chairwoman. Anyone interested in filling this opening, please call any of the Chapter officers.

## **Meeting Notice**

An OKTOBERFEST worker's meeting will take the place of our regular monthly meeting. 8:00pm Tuesday, October 19th, Diamond Head Restaurant, 6900 Wisconsin Avenue.



**BMW 320 cross-sectional view**

Cross-sectional view of BMW's new 320 shows such features as safety fuel tank ahead of rear axle, safety belts integrated in the car body and sophisticated axle geometry for individually sprung wheels.