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**COVER PHOTO:** A museum-quality 1971 BMW 3.0 CSi (E9) spotted where else but in the BMW Museum, beside BMW Welt, in Munich. Photos by Carlos Santayana

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#### President's Message

Bruce Feller, President

#### **D**rive, Drive, Drive!

There is no better time than summer to plan a drive in your BMW. Clear skies and dry pavement make road trips more enjoyable in the northwest. Your BMW CCA Oregon Chapter has helped you plan for a summer filled with places to go and cars to see. I hope you have already made it a habit to check the club calendar on our website, www.bmworegoncca.com.

## We are always looking to develop a new driving tour.

The Forest Grove Concours d' Elegance is one of the premier professional car shows west of the Rockies and takes place on July 20th. This event is held on the campus of Pacific University and will show more than 300 antique, sport, race, modified, and collector cars from several eras of automobile history. This year they will celebrate 50 years of the Ford Mustang and Pontiac GTO. It will also feature, for the second consecutive year, a BMW corral organized by our own Past President, Brian Cone. He will be exhibiting some of our Chapter's best BMWs. Come by and say hi to Brian.

Have you heard about the secret private road that winds up the hills of the Columbia Gorge and you need an invitation to be able to drive it? Well, it is the Maryhill Loops in Maryhill, Washington. This is the fourth consecutive year our club Treasurer Trayson Harmon has organized this incredible drive. If you have not pre-registered to drive it, unfortunately it is too late as the event is sold out; however, you are invited to come watch and maybe get a ride from another member while they go up and down this fun, exciting, scenic winding road. The event is on July 26th and 27th.

Another Gorge drive is scheduled for August 2nd. This is a drive up the Columbia River Gorge created by fellow member Rick Aronstein. If you have never been on one of our driving tours, this is a great opportunity to experience one. You will be hooked after just one... especially this one!

The drive will go out as far as The Dalles and will take you on many enjoyable back roads. Check the club calendar for additional details and registration.

While on the subject, we are always looking to develop a new driving tour. If, like Rick, you have a few good drive ideas and would like to share them with club members, please let us know and we can help map it out.

August 23rd brings us to another great event — our Fifth Annual Northwest BMW Motorfest — this year being held at the Golden Valley Brewery off Bethany Blvd. in Beaverton. Motorfest has grown to be a huge event. This year we are arranging our cars by decade. This allows everyone to see how BMW automobiles have evolved through the years. Shine and show your car, join the festivities, and enjoy the live music, great food, incredible raffle prizes, and of course the people! This year's featured car is



Buck Bailey and Bruce Feller at the Historics

the BMW convertible (all applicable chassis). Park yours in our special featured car section.

Check our club calendar and pre-register using links to get to MotorsportsReg.com for all these events and more.

See you at one of the events.

#### Hooked On Driving

Dan Hones, Member At Large

We all enjoy our BMWs for different reasons. We love the looks and the style, the engineering and the technology, the performance and the handling, and the joy of driving when you mash the big pedal to the floor. I enjoy my BMW for all of those reasons, but mostly for the last reason. The only way to really experience the reasoning those wunderkinds in Munich put into their magnificent automotive brilliance is to take it to the track and release the hounds.

The best and safest way to do this is to participate in a High Performance Driver Education event, better known as HPDE. I thought I knew everything there is to know about driving. I have been driving a long time with no tickets and no crashes (as I now touch wood...). I drive a powerful, well-mannered twin-turbocharged BMW — what else do I need? Education. I need education. Some say you can't teach an old dog new tricks. I am living proof that you can, and an HPDE day is the way to learn.

An HPDE event is an all-day event where you will typically get four to five sessions, 25-30

minutes each on the track. Depending on which group you choose to go with for your on-track experience, you may also receive additional classroom opportunities to share your experience with fellow drivers and coaches.

On your first day, you are paired with an instructor who will be your coach and tour guide. You will participate in "ground school," a classroom setting where you will discuss basic driving principles such as inputs, braking

points, weight transfer, cornering, contact patches, track etiquette, safety, and much more. You will then meet your instructor, and in many events, your instructor will drive your car around the track the first few laps of your introductory session to show you the line, the flag stations, and entry and exit points. He will then turn the wheel back over I have also had the great benefit of learning from six different coaches over the last five years. What really makes an HPDE day an

years. What really makes an HPDE day an HPDE day is the "E" – Education. Driving on the track is fun, but learning how to drive better on the track, and ultimately safer on the street, is even more fun.

There are many groups offering quality trackbased HPDE events in the Oregon and Washington area. A few of the groups that I have driven with at PIR are the BMW ACA, the Alfa Romeo Owners Oregon, the Oregon Region Porsche Club, the Audi Club Northwest, and Hooked on Driving. Hooked on Driving offers an immersive experience into the HPDE program. From the initial driver's meeting in the morning to the end of the last on-track session, you are coached in the finer points of smooth driving skills, at speed, in your own car. Run-groups are broken into skill level, and after each on-track session, the drivers gather to discuss that session's challenges and gain insight from the group lead instructor.

The Hooked on Driving (HOD) event on April 24th at PIR was a mix of sun, wet, soaking wet, and a little more sun. Club member Scott Welch said "I learned more about driving in the wet in one day than I have the last 30 years." But the point here is about learning to drive safer, regardless of the conditions. Learning to control the car in hydroplaning conditions, sliding conditions, and eventually dry conditions, made for the perfect mix of learning opportunities. Don Clinkenbeard and his team at HOD put on a quality event,

and on this particular Thursday afternoon, several drivers had the opportunity to test drive the all-new 2014 469-hp Corvette Stingray, on the track for multiple laps. We also received lunch. How much better can that be?

P.S. - Since I first wrote this back in April, I also participated in the May 29 HOD event at PIR, with five fellow club members on-track and the BMW car corral with another 8 cars which made for a

great BMW presence in the paddock. I will also be at the July 31st HOD day at PIR. Current club members can contact Chapter President Bruce Feller for a discount code generously provided by HOD for \$25 off registration.

Talk about the Joy of Driving!



to you for the real fun of the day: you driving

on the track. After a few instructor-led days,

you may get signed off by the instructors to

drive solo and graduate to the Intermediate

class. The next step in the advancement of

your skills would be to move up to the Ad-

But never give up the chance to have an in-

I have had the opportunity to participate in about 25 HPDE days, mostly at Portland

International Raceway, and last summer at

Laguna Seca for the BMWCCA Oktoberfest.

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- Scott Welch

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#### Recap: 2014 Rose Cup and Historic Races

Bruce Feller. President

 ${
m T}$ he Rose Cup Races were held on June 14-15. This has been a tradition of the Rose Festival activities since 1960. This year's BMW CCA corral featured more cars than last year and some really rare BMWs like the one in the year we had more cars regispictures below. Gary Stenzel drove down from Spokane with his showroom perfect 1989 ACS3. This is a Schnitzer Factory car with 260 tional barbecue for both days. If horsepower and many M-tricks in it.

Our Chapter also participated in the Historic Races during the weekend of July 12-14. The Historic Races are held every summer at Portland International Raceway (PIR). It is always fun to watch and to walk around the race cars pitted in clear view of the spectators. You have the opportunity to get up close to the race cars and talk with the drivers.

A short walk over the bridge takes you to the infield of the race track where you find all the car clubs presenting their cars arranged in corrals. Our BMW CCA corral is tucked under Join us next year for cars and racing! the trees at the far end of the corrals. This tered than we have ever had in the past. We hosted our tradiyou missed it, please come next year and enjoy seeing many classic cars from the past, and many that are in the races.

The races were great to watch and the weather was perfect.

--R: Gary Stenzel's 1989 ACS3 (AC Schnitzer based on a BMW E30) on the road, interior, and engine compartment Photos courtesy of Gary Stenzel

Below : 1973 BMW CSL Luigi Chassis #001 Right: One of many 2002 race cars Photos courtesy of Claude Laviano

tor over 25 years. engines of the 20th century, powered E9s and E24s Answer (from p. 12) The BMW M30 engine, considered one of the top

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#### Recap: LeMay, America's Car Museum

Drew Lagravinese, Secretary and Tour Leader

On April 12, 2014, the Chapter ventured

north for the second annual tour of LeMay, America's Car Museum, located in Tacoma, WA. The museum houses over 350 vehicles from the LeMay family collection, as well as vehicles belonging to private owners and corporations.

The members first met up at the Jubitz Truck Stop in North Portland for some coffee and breakfast before the driver's meeting, given by yours truly, the tour leader for this event. The meeting was pretty simple: sign the waivers, turn on your headlights, and play follow-theleader. If you get lost, meet us at Love's Truck Stop at Exit 72! Thankfully, nobody got lost. We even picked up another member from WA, who met us there rather than drive down into Portland. After a brief stop at Love's, we continued to Tacoma and LeMay.

At LeMay, we were given preferential treatment and were allowed to park on the show grounds (free parking!). It was quite a sight to see all of those fine German cars all lined up. After a few photos, it was on to the museum to see the cars.



Top: VW Type 2 model, but not in Panel Delivery trim; Middle: KdF-Wagen; Bottom: Wedding Car Beetle

The Featured Cars this year were Volkswagens of the past, and there were quite a few Volkswagen ("people's car" in German) oldies and goodies. The museum showcased 25 vintage models from both Volkswagen and local car collectors in the Seattle-Tacoma area.

From the museum's web site: **KdF-Wagen** — Only a handful of KdF-Wagens were produced between 1941 and



1945, and this particular vehicle was produced in April 7, 1943. Containing more than 95 percent of the original KdF-parts, the fullyrestored vehicle on display is the eightholdest Beetle known to exist in the world.

> **Panel Delivery Type 2** — The "Panel Delivery" model is an ideal vehicle for loading and transporting cargo with its large double cargo doors and low floor. Some of the first cars to reach the United States were dispatched to support the VW service network across the country in the mid-1950s and was a popular commercial vehicle for small businesses, such as service and repair shops.

Wedding Car Beetle — Upon seeing the uniquely converted wrought-iron bodied Beetle being used for private weddings around Mexico in the 1960s, Volkswagen de Mexico built two more to be used as display vehicles for its sponsorship of the 1968 Olympic Games. The vehicle on display at the museum was built on a new 1968 chassis and given to the United States Northeast distributor.

Some of our members also took advantage of the racing simulators, which feature racing tracks from around the world.

try in the mid-1950s and was a popular commercial vehicle for small businesses, such as service and repair shops. Judging from the conversations I had with the members, it appears that a fun time was had by all and that the museum is worthy of the title "America's Car Museum".



#### **Recap: Northwest Ramble**

Tom Freedman, Tour Leader

On a delightful morning in June, the Chapter set off from the Golden Valley Brewery in Beaverton for a tour around NW Oregon's West Hills and the Coast Range Eastern Foothills. Our journey included portions of a previous adventure from past years led by our fearless leader Bruce Feller, as well as some additional seldom visited territory which I discovered while planning the trip.

# Three groups of drivers set out on this 192-mile adventure

the group headed back home to attend to weekend chores, while the remaining hardy folks continued on for more touring and a

gathering back at Golden Valley for libations and recap.

Special thanks to those who assisted pre-driving, Last but definitely not least were the new (or seldom-seen) faces of the folks who joined the tour: **Desiree Listy, Dave Myers, Alvin Cuan,** and **Neville Pohowalla**.

Thanks everyone! Hope to see you all again at our upcoming events.

Top Left: Driver's Meeting at Golden Valley Brewery Bottom Left and Below: The more BMWs the merrier!



group leading, and sweeping for this trip: **Brian Cone, Bruce and Barbara Fell-**





Three groups of drivers set out on this 192mile adventure which boasted a variety of the scenic features available in Western Oregon, including many crossings of the Nehalem River, pastoral farm land views, and even a smidge of old growth forest. We were fortunate to experience fine weather, minimal local traffic, and mostly good road conditions.

At a lunch break in Vernonia, folks fanned out amongst the local eateries and picnic areas for a pleasant relaxing time. After lunch, some of **Byron Pace, Jennifer Schiele,** and **John Eisenberg** again.

**er, Dan and Susan Hones, Cory and Nancy Piazesse,** and **Gordon Tanaka**. Your assistance was essential in making this tour a successful club event.

And certainly, without the members and guests who attended, what's the point!? We never get tired of **Kurt Williams, Buck Bailey**, and **Alex Casey**'s company. It was good to see **Scott Pell, Sash Kazeminejad Byron Pace, Jennifer Schiele,** and **John Eisenberg** again.

#### EDITOR WANTED

The BMW Oregon CCA is looking for a new newsletter editor.

If you think you has the creativity, grammer skills, and attention to detail required to prduce a quality newsletter for the Chapter every quarter, then the club wants you!

Training on procedural responsibilities will be provided until December 2014.

Send email to: clubeditor@bmworegoncca.com

#### Recap: Vintage SIG Mehama Tour

On April 26, 2014, the Vintage SIG organized a tour of Mehama, Oregon. The tour started with a Driver's Meeting at BMW of Salem. Thanks to Client Advisor Caleb Moore, there was plenty of parking to accommodate tour participants. Caleb even made sure that coffee and donuts were prepared for those who needed an extra pick-me-up before the drive.



The tour that followed was led by club member Ralph Harding. The tour was designed to highlight both Salem's twisty backroads and scenic views by the Santiam River. The tour ended in Mehama, home of Canyon Auto Rebody.

Everyone was treated to a shop tour and lunch at Canyon Auto Rebody, hosted by Chris and Kelly Jones.



Top: Bruce and Barbara Feller all ready for a driving tour Left: Ralph Harding led the tour in his E30 M3 Bottom: Dan Hones' 135i in front of the country grocery



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#### Elections

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m T}$  o all current members of the Oregon Chapter of the BMW CCA:

The time has come around once more to nominate your fellow club members to board member positions. Elected board members may serve for a two year term. The members who run for election must be capable and dedicated. They also need to have the time and willingness to serve.

Club officers are a critical part of the team that manages and operates your BMW CCA Chapter. The great leadership and dedication of your board members will ensure a successful chapter for years to come, and will continue the philosophy and vision that makes your chapter a high priority for you to continue membership.

The positions that need to be filled are:

#### President

- Presides over all monthly board meetings, prepares the agenda, and directs the discussion.
- Acts as an ex-officio member of all standing committees and temporary committees except the nominating committee.
- Executes all documents and correspondence in the name of the Chapter as authorized by the membership or Chapter Board.
- Signs or co-signs Chapter checks.
- Ensures that all required reports are submitted to the National Office within the required timeframes.
- Maintains the Chapter's copy of the BMW CCA Operation Manual.
- Ensures that corporate reports are filed on time.

#### Vice President

- Acts in place of the President during his or her absence, or when required by the President.
- Assists the President and/or Chapter Board in any manner that they may direct.
- Manages monthly Chapter general meetings.

#### Secretary

- Records and preserves the minutes of Chapter business and Board meetings; presents and reads said minutes at the request of the President.
- Prepares necessary correspondence for the Chapter when required.

#### Treasurer

- Keeps and preserves the records and books of accounts reflecting the financial condition and operation of the Chapter and any corporate documents that obligate the Chapter financially.
- Prepares the annual financial report for submission to the National Office.
- Prepares the report of financial condition to be provided to the Chapter membership each year.
- Ensures that required fees and taxes are paid on time.
- Monitors and maintains the Chapter bank account; monitors account to ensure it remains in balance and that all funds received from the National Office have been properly credited.

#### **Communications Director/Chairperson**

- Gathers editorial content for the newsletters and website, including newsletter layout and printing, web site design, host service selection, domain name registration and renewal, and content upload.
- Ensures that the newsletter is properly labeled, has correct postage, and is sent to the post office for distribution to members.
- Verifies that the information contained on the website is current.
- Ensures that the newsletter contains the minimum elements required by BMW CCA and is published within the required timeframes.
- Strives for a website that is easy to navigate, meets the informational needs of the Chapter members, and serves as recruiting tool for new members.
- Attends the National BMW CCA Newsletter Editor/Webmaster Conference (authorized travel expenses reimbursed by BMW CCA for one person per Chapter).

Any member in good standing that is interested in running for any of the above positions must submit a short biography and a statement explaining reasons for nomination, qualifications for the position, and goals to achieve if elected. We must have all submissions by September 1, 2014.

Please email your bio and statement to: electioncommittee@bmworegoncca.com.

Thank you.

The BMW CCA Oregon Chapter Election Committee

#### Oregon Festival Of Cars September 12-14\*

Brian Cone, Events Coordinator

The Oregon Festival of Cars is the premier car event in the Pacific Northwest. This event is all about the Joy of Driving! Ferrari is this year's theme to honor long-time Ferrari dealer Ron Tonkin, who passed away earlier this year.



Avove: Broken Top Resort in Bend Right: Just one of the cars you can expect to see at Oregon Festival of Cars

Touring events, car show, evening banquet, and the opportunity to socialize with car enthusiasts from many different marques makes this event so much fun. To enjoy all of the activities, the Festival of Cars covers three days from Friday, September 12th to Sunday, September 14th. As a BMW enthusiast, you will fit right in with fellow Bimmer owners and have the opportunity to meet enthusiasts who have many stories to tell about their favorite cars. The Festival is now located at the beautiful Broken Top Golf Club in Bend. Our host facility is at Mt. Bachelor Village.

The Festival starts on Friday morning with a

touring event along the Clackamas River to Sisters, where you can have lunch at Three Creeks Brewing or another unique restaurant. Then you are off to Bend. You will have an opportunity to have your car washed on Friday afternoon at Mt. Bachelor Village, enjoy a beer, then attend the reception to pick up your registration packet and enjoy a light dinner.

Saturday is the car show. Arrive by 8:00 AM at the Broken Top Golf Club driving range to have your car parked in a group based on you type of car. The venue is spectacular as your car is

parked next to the pond with the club house in the distance. With vendor and food booths, the Dan Balmer Band playing, and the always entertaining Paul Duchene as the emcee, this is a full-scale concours event. Enjoy the day answering questions from the spectators and sharing stories with other participants. The evening banquet is held in the clubhouse and will feature light-hearted awards to participants, a tribute to Ron Tonkin, and an auction to benefit the Humane Society of Central Oregon.

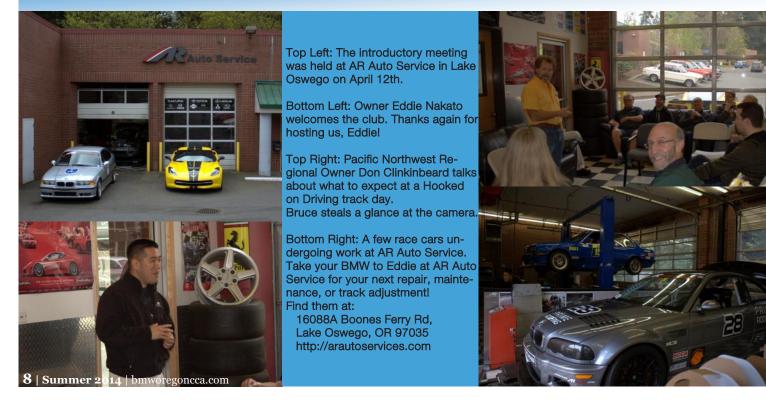
Sunday starts out with a fun touring event in the countryside around Bend. You arrive back at Mt. Bachelor Village where you will enjoy a great brunch.



A truly memorable weekend awaits for you to enjoy. To register, go to the event website: http://www.oregonfestivalofcars.com. Join all of the other BMW enthusiasts who attend. You will have a great time and have many stories to tell! If you have any questions, e-mail or call Brian Cone (971-400-2088).

\* - This is a non-CCA event.

#### Recap in Pictures: Hooked On Driving Introduction



#### 2014 Northwest BMW Motorfest August 23

#### ${f N}_{ m ow}$ in its fifth year, the Northwest BMW

Motorfest is the Oregon Chapter's signature event. Early registration fee is only \$25. Online registration will close on August 20th. Day-of-event registration is available at \$30.

Registration includes one Motorfest T-shirt and two raffle tickets! Early online registration gives you discounts on additional shirts and pint glasses, as well as reserved Featured Car VIP parking for your BMW convertible.

#### Car Awards

Your registration packet will include a ballot to vote for the Best Vintage, Best Classic, Best Modern, and Best Convertible. Also included is a windshield information card, so people can vote for your Bavarian beauty! Best In Show will be decided by the owners of last year's winning cars. The past winners will be proudly displayed, but will not be eligible to win this year.

#### **Show Car Parking**

Almost the entire parking lot is Roundel country! Front and center will be reserved for this year's featured car: convertibles. Similarly, other BMWs will be grouped together by decade. Look for our volunteer parking attendants to direct you to the appropriate area.

#### VIP Parking for Featured Car

This year's Featured Car is the BMW convertible (all applicable chassis). Featured Car owners will enjoy VIP parking front and center for all to bask in the glory of these open-top beauties. VIP parking is subject to availability, so register today and indicate that you will be taking a BMW convertible to the show!

#### T-Shirt

One official Fifth Annual Northwest BMW Motorfest shirt is included with registration (a \$15 value)! Sporting a new stylish design and made of technical cationic polyester, this will be one of your favorite car shirts! Add \$2 for 2XL and 3XL shirts.

#### Pint Glass

The official Fifth Annual Northwest BMW Motorfest pint glass is available for the preevent purchase price of eight dollars. These sturdy, no-nonsense collectible pint glasses will contrast AND complement previous years' Motorfest Collectible glassware in your cupboard or display case.

Get yours now while supplies last!

#### Main Raffle Table

We listened to you, and we're streamlining our raffle process. Prizes will be "parked" while the winners come to claim them. This way, we can proceed to the next drawing! Unchanged is the spread of terrific raffle prizes, courtesy of our sponsors! Two raffle tickets are included in your registration packet. As always, you can increase your chances of winning by purchasing more tickets for only a dollar each, or...

#### Earn Extra Raffle Tickets

Now a tradition in its own right, we will be collecting donations and non-perishable food for the Oregon Food Bank. An additional raffle ticket will be given for every three cans or packages of non-perishable food you bring to the event.

#### **Driving Tour**

This optional, no additional cost driving tour will take you through lesser-known twisties in the West Hills! Driver's meeting at 9:30 AM, departure at 10:00 AM from Golden Valley Brewery. Cars are scheduled to return in time for Motorfest opening. Due to the popularity of the Motorfest driving tour, pre-registration is strongly advised!

#### We have a new venue this year!

Motorfest will be at Golden Valley Brewery,

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#### Teen defensive driving program returns to portland!

WHAT:	Tire Rack Street Survival® Teen Defensive Driving Class
WHERE:	Portland International Raceway
WHEN:	Sunday October 12, 2014
WHY:	IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT DRIVING IT'S ABOUT LIVING



Motor vehicle crashes are the leading killer of Americans aged 16 to 19, accounting for 40% of fatalities in that age bracket. To reduce this number, Tire Rack Street Survival® developed a national driver education program aimed at teaching teens the skills they need to stay alive behind the wheel.

On **Sunday**, **October 12th** at Portland International Raceway, the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) Oregon Region will host a Tire Rack Street Survival® driving school. During this one-day class, students gain valuable new skills to improve their driving techniques on the road. Students drive their own cars through real-world emergency driving exercises, with an instructor in the next seat to provide immediate feedback.

#### DOES YOUR YOUNG DRIVER KNOW HOW TO RESPOND TO A SKID?

The Street Survival program provides students with valuable skills to improve their capabilities to respond to a driving emergency. This class is 100% focused on teaching young drivers car control techniques for safer street driving. Note: cars will not be driven on a race track. Parents are welcome to observe the drills and listen to classroom instructors.

#### LEARN LIFE SAVING DEFENSIVE DRIVING SKILLS FOR \$75

Due to the generous sponsorship of the Tire Rack, the SCCA Foundation, the BMW Car Club of America Foundation, and Michelin Tires – along with local Oregon and Washington racing community volunteers – **the total out of pocket cost per student is only \$75!** 

Licensed drivers age 16 - 25 are eligible to participate. Students must supply their own vehicle in safe, running condition, along with proof of insurance, and a valid driver's license. 15<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> year old students with valid learning permits and 6 months driving experience are eligible to participate. Note: due to insurance regulations, SUVs, vans, and trucks participating in this program must be equipped with electronic stability control or have NHTSA 3-star or better rollover rating.

For more information on Street Survival and/or to sign up, please visit http://streetsurvival.org. We already have 14 students already signed up, with less than 18 spots remaining: this October event will be over-subscribed, so please sign up soon to avoid being placed on the waitlist.

#### Interested in Instructing? We need your help!

Due to the timing of the SCCA Runoffs, a number of our regular instructors will be missing. Please volunteer for this event: you make a difference.

#### Region contact for students, parents, and instructors:

Jim Weidenbaum Oregon Region SCCA, Street Survival Chair 503.367.4789 streetsurvivalpdx@hotmail.com

#### 2014 Motorfest (cont. from p. 9)

on Bethany Blvd and Hwy 26 in Beaverton.

#### **Golden Valley Brewery**

1520 NW Bethany Blvd Beaverton, OR, 97006 http://www.goldenvalleybrewery.com

Golden Valley serves fine handcrafted beers of exceptional balance and complexity, allnatural dry aged Angus beef raised on the family ranch, and excellent Oregon wines from the great Willamette Valley! The Beaverton location is easily accessible from the freeway, but tucked away nicely in a parcel of land with a completely paved parking lot.

Indoors, we've reserved the large dining room that opens out to the east patio! Patio is open seating, but will most likely be occupied by fellow BMW fans and club members.

For entertainment, **Matthew Gailey** is back this year with his band, **Ghosts Like Us** to provide great music for everyone.

Even Pink Martini's China Forbes is a fan! She says,

"I was blown away by Matthew's voice, the

minute he started to sing. He has an effortless sound. I can't wait to hear what he comes out with next."

So what are you waiting for? Register today! Reserve your spot and save on great collectibles!

Get ready to join the driving tour, enjoy the car show, win raffle prizes, savor the fine food and drinks, rock to the music, and meet hundreds of your best BMW friends!

See you there on August 23rd!

#### Social Awareness Corner

Carlos Santayana, Editor

Our July General Meeting, organized by the Chapter's Secretary Drew Lagravinese, was held at Freeman Motor Company. The event was well-attended with a technical demonstration at their service building and a dinner spread at their indoor showroom location. What set this meeting apart from others, though, was the company's involvement with worthy causes.

Penelope Fain, Community Relations Director, is responsible for Freeman Motor Company's partnerships with Portland-based nonprofit organizations that operate both locally and globally. One of the closest to their hearts, Africa New Life Ministries, is one such organization that exists to break the cycle of poverty in Rwanda by providing education, spiritual insight, and basic necessities to poor children and families.



Kadin Freeman and Braiden Copeland do their part to help fight hunger.

"To begin," says Penelope, "our journey with Africa New Life began with Eric and Jenny Freeman's involvement in 2009, raising money to purchase and ship a truck to Kageyo in Africa." Kageyo is a refugee camp in Rwanda, established to resettle families that had lost everything to political turmoil and the resulting genocide.

"The town needed a vehicle and Eric, Jenny, and Freeman Motor Co. helped in the fundraising effort with a major drive that was called, 'The road to Kageyo.' After that, Eric actually went with ANLM to Kigali and then Kageyo to see exactly what this amazing program was doing. Eric also had the opportunity to meet the child that the Freemans have sponsored for several years."

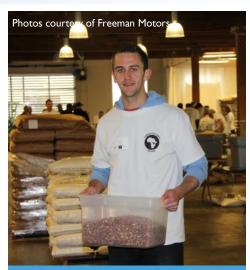
Their desire to make a difference in the lives of the people of Kageyo has remained steady ever since. In April of 2013, Freeman Motor Co. partnered with ANLM again for the first ever food packing event.

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Penelope adds, "We had about 1,000 volunteers spread out through an entire day packing 280,000 meals that were then shipped to Kageyo."

In order to accommodate the volunteers, packing tables, equipment, and the grainbased foods, the entire 25,000 sq. ft. indoor



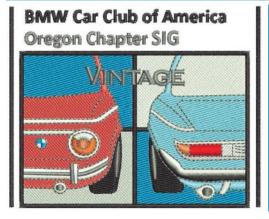


Freeman Motors' Nathan Krig carries beans to the assembly line of volunteers (below).

showroom was cleared of Freeman Motors' luxury European vehicles and turned into a food packing factory – quite an amazing transformation!

Penelope speaks on behalf of Freeman Motor Co. as she invites us: "This November will be our second food packing event. One big positive addition is that this year for the first time we will be packaging food for Oregonians that rely on the Oregon Food Bank for assistance in feeding their families. We love helping those far away and we really love helping our fellow Oregonians in need."

Mark your calendars for Sunday, November 16th and head down to Freeman Motor Co. on Macadam Avenue. Consider it an early Thanksgiving activity and help package food for the less fortunate in Kageyo AND Oregon! Watch out for more information on this event, or get in touch with Penelope or any of the terrific associates by going to Freeman Motors' web page: http://freemanmotor.com.



#### LIFE IMITATING ART?

Member Tom McKenzie sent in this photo.

His garage looks quite similar to the Vintage SIG logo, doesn't it?



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Date	Event	Date	Event
Aug 2	Gorge Tour to The Dalles, Oregon	Sep 13	Vintage SIG Cars & Coffee
Aug 6	August Board Meeting	Sep 16	September General Meeting
Aug 9	Vintage SIG Cars & Coffee	Oct 1	October Board Meeting
Aug 23	<b>2014 Northwest BMW Motorfest</b> (page 9)	Oct 12	Teen Defensive Driving Program (page 10)
Sep 3	September Board Meeting	Oct 21	October General Meeting
Sept 12-14	Oregon Festival of Cars (page 8)	Nov 16	Food Packing at Freeman Motor Co. (page 11)

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