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President's Letter

Hello Everyone!

I hope you enjoyed your summer cause we are quickly flying into fall. If you didn't make the TrissI Sports Car visit, you really missed some great cars. I finally say a Porsche Carrera GT in person (over a million dollar car). WOW!

We have two fun runs planed for the remaining quarter of the year. The covered bridges run in October is really impressive with the architecture and beauty of the bridges here in Alabama.

We have also added a trip to the Lane Museum in Nashville to enjoy the "100 year Celebration of BMW" display. Check the calendar for details as this will be one you will not want to miss.

Hope to see you on these great



Save these dates...

Sat, Oct 29 - Blount County Covered Bridges Fun Run Fri, Nov 4 - River City Bimmers hosts Tail of the Dragon Sun, Nov 6 Weekend (See 3Q16 newsletter more details) Sat, Dec 3 - Lane Motor Museum BMW Exhibit (Page 3) Stay tuned to e-mail from albmwcca.org, our Facebook page and the Heart of Dixie Quarterly Newsletter for more details.



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Heart of Dixie Chapter President Steve Lowery

JUST ADDED:

BMW 100 Year Birthday Fun Run to Lane Motor Museum on **December 3rd**. Special Group Pricing includes a private basement tour of over 300 cars, restoration shop and exhibits. Watch your e-mail for details!



See Page 3 for more about the Lane Motor Museum



Happy Birthday BMW at the Lane Motor Museum

Don't miss this rare opportunity to see the **Bavarian Birthday - Celebrating BMW's Centenary Exhibit** - This exhibit celebrates the 100th Year of BMW with a special showing of cars from the museum collection and beyond—including member's vehicles from the *Old Hickory Chapter*. This special show runs through March 6, 2017.

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LANE MOTOR MUSEUM







2016 Winter Hours:

Monday	10am-5pm
Thursday	10am-5pm
Friday	10am-5pm
Saturday	10am-5pm
Sunday	10am-5pm
Closed Tuesday and Wednesday	
after October 10. Closed on	
Thanksgiving, Christmas and New	
Year's Day.	

2016 ADMISSION PRICES:

MembersFreeAdults (18-64)\$12Seniors (65+)\$8Youth (6-17)\$3Age 5 & UnderFreeAccept cash, Visa, MasterCard andDiscover. (No AMEX)

LOCATION: 702 Murfreesboro Pike, Nashville, TN 37210

PHONE: (615) 742-7445 WEB: www.lanemotormuseum.org

Florence Fun Run

On Saturday August 6th, the Heart of Dixie chapter headed to Florence, Alabama for a Fun Run to Trissl Sports Cars and the Rosenbaum House designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. We had a great turn out with 36 members and guests and seventeen cars!!

We met at one of our usual starting points in Athens, AL. All the shiny, clean, BMW's (and a couple of Porsches) looked fantastic as we headed west to Florence. Unfortunately for our cars the rains came quickly and heavily for the first few miles but the back roads were still a great drive.

Upon arriving at Trissl Sports Cars we were greeted by Jason Schurfeld and his team. Trissl has an incredible collection of Porsches that are both part of a private collection and available for purchase. Our members took almost an hour to look at all the incredible Porsche machines, read about what made each one unique, and just really take it all in!! Our tour ended with Jason highlighting several of the cars and what made them each so special. But the real highlight of the tour was when Jason fired up the Carrera GT. What a wonderful noise it made!! All of us with HOD want to say big thank you to the folks at Trissl Sports Cars for sacrificing part of their Saturday to show us around and inviting us to their Uber Region Fest next May.

After leaving Trissl we head to downtown Florence for lunch at City Hardware. This was third time HOD has had lunch with our friends at City Hardware. As usual the food and service were terrific as well as our private room.

Just a few blocks away was our last stop at the Rosenbaum House designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. The Rosenbaum house is the only Wright building in Alabama and is an example of Wright's Usonian house concept. Several of our members had visited other Wright designed buildings and were very excited to see one so close to home. Due to the number of members we were split up into two groups each with our own tour director. We each learned so much about the history of the home but the one question we all asked was "How can a family survive in a kitchen that small?"

The day ended just as it began with more rain but a good time was had by all. And by this point our cars were dirty anyway so it didn't really matter. Thank you to everyone who participated in the Fun Run. It was great to see old friends and make new ones. We hope to see all of you soon.

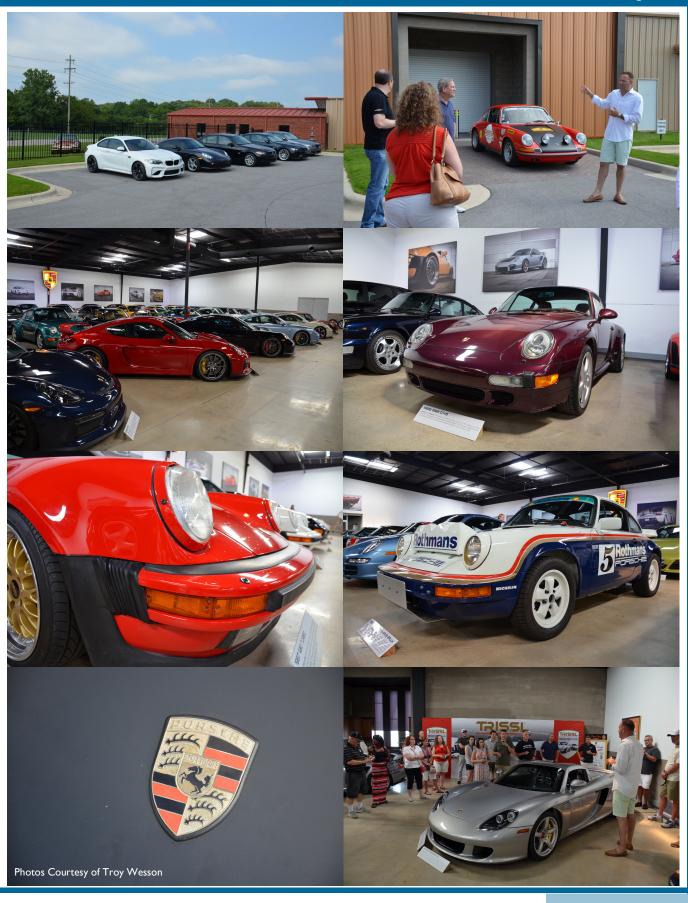




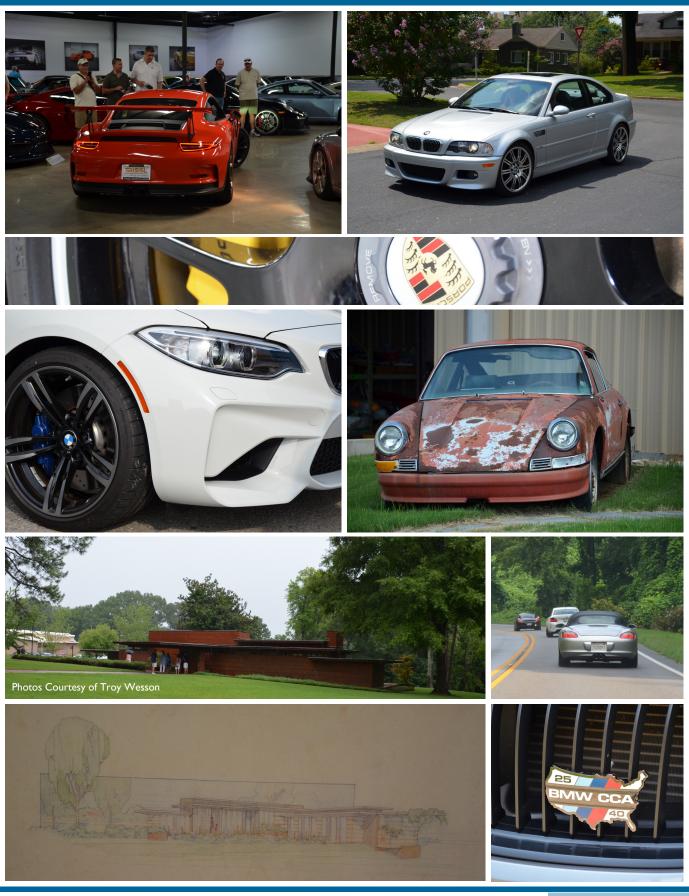




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September EuroSunday in Huntsville













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Did we see you at EuroSunday in Huntsville? EuroSunday occurs on the last Sunday of every month from January thru November. The location rotates around Huntsville and Madison. See <u>www.facebook.com/EuroSundayHuntsville</u> for the

location each month. The meet starts around 7AM and wraps up by 9:30AM. A great way to get out and show off your BMVV! In addition, EuroSunday will be sponsoring a charity toy drive *Rally4Kids* on November 19th. You never know what you will



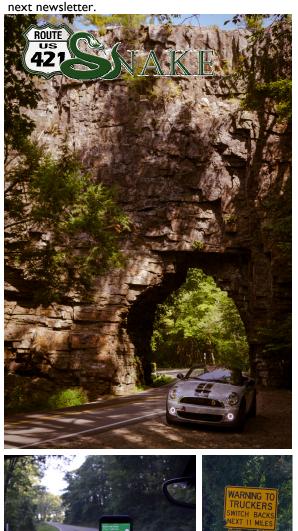
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US421—The Snake By Troy Wesson

BMW drivers across the southeast have the joy of many curvy roads at their disposal. Many of you have driven The Tail of the Dragon, Cherohala Skyway, Moonshiner 28, and the Diamondback. But have you driven the Snake? US421 from Bristol, VA to Mountain City, NC is known as the Snake. At 33 miles long, there are 489 curves across three mountains. At the mid-point in Shady Valley, be sure to stop for your souvenirs at the local country store. Worth a detour is local 133 north towards Damascus, VA. Be sure to stop at Backbone Rock for a drive through the world's

shortest tunnel. Details: <u>www.421thesnake.com</u> Do you have a favorite drive? Drop us a line with a trip report and few photographs to share in our



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Got an idea for a story? Interested in providing pictures or a story from our next club event? If so, contact Troy Wesson, Newsletter Editor, at

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The Benefits of a BMW Club Membership

- Vehicle Rebate: BMW CCA members in good standing (membership for 12 months prior to the purchase) may be eligible for substantial rebates up to \$1,500 on the purchase or lease of a new or Certified Pre-Owned BMW from any authorized U.S. BMW Center. See bmwcca.org for details.
- Outstanding national events including BMW CCA's premier annual gathering, Oktoberfest.
- 12-month subscription to the Club magazine, Roundel.
- Driving schools, autocrosses, safety schools, fun runs and Club Racing.
- Regional club-sponsored car corrals at major road races, like the Indy and Grand Am Series at Barber Motorsports Park.
- Free classified ads on the website and in Roundel magazine.
- Access to our Technical Service Advisors for personalized advice.
- Ombudsmen to help with dealer issues.
- Friends of BMW: A roster of fellow BMW CCA members who can offer coffee and conversation, repair tools, workspace, sometimes even help when you're out on the road.
- Club library and video services. Borrow BMW-related books and videos.
- Availability of a BMW CCA affinity credit card.
- Free BMW CCA decals available from the club office.
- Access to all areas of the growing online community at <u>www.bmwcca.org</u>.



Our next Teen Street Survival class is on Saturday, November 5, 2016 at Shelton State Community College in Tuscaloosa. Teens age 15-21 sign up at <u>streetsur-</u> <u>vival.org</u>. See Jack Joyner (page 2) to volunteer.

BMW Club at Trissl Sports Cars on August 6, 2016

