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SATURDAY, 15th of Dec.

TECH SESSION at Rusty's.

We begin Christmas month right on a Saturday with a Tech Session beginning at noon at the Barton's; 2 Farington Circle, Chesapeake, 424-1954. This is the Ipswich Townvillas section at College Park. If coming via interstate 64, take the Indian River Rd. exit going west. Turn left at the second light onto Providence Rd., turn left at the third opportunity on to Collage Park Blvd. Go to the end of Collage Park Blvd and turn right onto Drew Drive. Follow Drew Dr., it curves right and you'll enter the Ipswich area; Go past models on right side of the road, another right curve and then turn right onto Haverford. Haverford ends in a large circle, park in the circle. If you come via Military Highway, turn onto Paramount Ave at Regency Oldsmobile; if coming from Portsmouth turn right, if coming the other way, turn left onto Paramount. Follow Paramount until you enter the Ipswich area. Yurn left onto the Second Haverford(it's a U shaped street that crosses Paramount twice) and proceed as above. The usual refresments will be available and the usual \$2 will be collected.

SATURDAY, 15 DECEMBER

IS ALSO THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER AND PAY for your CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY at the Tidewater Dinner Theatre of the Stars. A good price for an evenings fun and a great play plus you get to pig out on the buffet. see add, you guessed it, elsewhere.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 22

CHRISTMAS DINNER MEETING and grand gathering of the Clavern, better make that Clan, no, make it Gang (my red neck was showing again) including special awards, installation of officers and door prizes.

WHOOOPS, I ALMOST FORGOT

TUESDAY DECEMBER 4

Special yearly Board Meeting at the home of Linda and Charles Dickens. Big plans and big snacks. All are urged to attend. Call 488-0030.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1980

BOARD MEETING at Clyde Hills home in Norfolk.

THE WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 10, 1980

AN INSPECTION TECK AT ATLANTIC BMW . How many times have you thought how nice it would be to have your own BMW service department? Well here it is! Courtesy of Atlantic BMW and Bey Em Vey Chapter. Your pride and joy will be inspected and any potential problem areas will be pointed out to you. Due to the time and space limitations no actual work will be done, just diagnostic work.

Wyndham Curles will have some very special prices on parts for the occaision.

There will be coffee and donuts for all.

Times and other details will follow in latter issues of DAS KUMMET.

PRESIDENTS COLUMN

Thanks to Bruce Orman for hosting our November Tech Session. We had a nice day, weather wise and saw a lot of new faces!

I hope you will be coming to our Christmas gathering at the Tidewater Dinner Theatre. If you have never been there, you're in for a treat. I can't think of a more fun packed evening and considering what you get in the way of food and entertainment, it's a real deal. By the way, the price includes gratuity. Charles and Linda Dickens have worked hard on this event and have lined up some neat door prizes. One item that will be up for grabs either as a door prize or as a raffle item will be a complete spare parts kit from our own store including electricals, hoses, belts and filters; a \$50 or more value depending on the model car. Don't forget to register for the evening with Linda, not with the Dinner Theatre.

This will be my last president's column (OK, hold down the cheering) since I am retireing this year. I've served eight straight years on the board in every capacity except secretary and its been a really rewarding and fun filled period in my life. I've watched our Chapter grow from a small band of Autocross freaks into a large group of BMW enthusiasts with a whole range of differnt interests. We have one of the Strongest Chapters in BMWCCA and thats something we should all be proud of, I know I am. This year has been especially rewarding because many more non-board members are taking an active role in the club, witness the fact that only one Tech Session this year has been at a board members home. I'm sure you will all agree that this year's board has done an outstanding job. Linda Dickens has been a super Treasurer and kept us all honest, Charles Dickens, Activities Chairman has worked harder than anyone on making this Chapter move, Brian Miss has given his usual strong performance as our Vice President, Mike McAllister did a great job keeping us all in line at board meetings as

Secretary, and of course, Dave Pritchard once again guided DAS KUMMET through another year in the difficult boj as Editor. Thanks to you all for a great year.

Thanks to all of you for putting up with me for such a long time. Have a good Holiday Season.

Rusty

OKTOBERFEST IMPRESSIONS

Charles, Linda and I ventured to Boston this year for the 10th Octoberfest and it was everything I expected it to be and more. Ralph and Sarah Kaner were there too, so we had quite a contingent of Tidewater members, as evidenced by the fact that Charles, Ralph and yours truly all ended up on the cover of the November ROUNDEL. Did you spot us in the picture of one of the classroom sessions at the drivers school? Eddie Hardman, formerly of our chapter also attended along with his friend Jane.

Once we finally got to the hotel after the wettest drive I've ever experienced, Things settled down into a progressively more active pace. First event, split into two days, was the drivers school, and it was, in a word, super. Briar Motorsport Park is a twisty, hilly road course that tested brakes to the hilt. My two most vivid impressions of the school were 1) Smoke rising from my front brakes as I rested in the pits after the driving session and 2) The thoroughness of the Tech Inspection that resulted in quite a few cars needing service which was provided FREE (parts at cost) by Beaconwood Motors. They set up a compleat shop there and it was absolutely a fantastic gesture of support for the event. The only criticism I have was the crowding on the track that sometimes occurred and which hindered my progress at times. Johnathan Katz did a fantastic job as event OD. One more thing, I got to ride as a passenger in two cars, both driven by Ray Korman and what a blast. He is so matter of fact about it while we are white knuckling it in the passenger seats! Also had Russ Norburn as an instructor, but I defer on name dropping to Lida Dickens who was chauffeured around the track by none other than David Hobbs, Esq.

The evenings were full of good food, very neat and interesting product displays by the likes of Miller and Norburn, Ray Korman, Speedmaker and others, and BMWCCA movies including a thriller of David Hobbs pushing a 733i around the Nurburgring at incredible speeds.

Saturday morning saw Charles and Eddie participating in the Rally. I don't need the agrevation so I slept! The afternoon saw us at the Autocross in which I put my experience to use to take second in class, a feat I'm proud of even if the beer mug trophy is engraved for the concours in error!

Sunday morning brought drizzle and the Concours D'Elegance with all manner of Bimmers there from a 2002 with a turbocharged six and auto trans stuffed into a beautiful turbo coupe which won the event. Needless to say I did not enter!

The awards banquet Sunday was a brunch and lasted for a mere four hours! They ha so many door prizes it was just unbelievable but guess who won the Piece D'Resistance, an Escort? None other than the Hn. Charles L. Dickens. I'm so jealous I could scream!

One delightful experience that I had occurred when I went out to dinner with Ralph and Sarah and another couple. We had to wait in the bar for a table and we ended up next to three little old ladies obviously doing a serious job of drinking! They were Blotto! Ralph got to talking to one, a short, white haired gal with quite a personality. Turned out she played the piano so we helped her over to the upright in the corner and she proceeded to bang out song after song with us

joining in as best we could. It was really a wonderful interlude capped by a scrumpcious meal.

The caravan back with two Tarheel cars, me, Linda and Charles, Eddie and Jane and another car lasted until just south of New York City where we all split up to go our seperate ways.

Octoberfest will be in North Carolina in 1983- Don't miss it!

Rusty

FOR ANOTHER VERSION OF THE GOINGS ON----

OKTOBERFEST IN BOSTON

The long drive was begun by two local BMW's, our own Mighty Red and Rusty's Brillo Special. Everything went fine for about three hours and the rains came, not showers but deluges and down pours which culminate in tornadoes near Boston which closed several major roads right behind us. This was the hardest drive I have ever made and we were all glad to reach the Raddison-Ferncroft in Danvers at last. When you leave at 5 pm and get there at 7 pm that is at last!

Anyway, thursday was planned for a bus tour of Boston which was made much more fun than it would have been because Eddie Hardman and his lady Jane Anthony joined us.

Friday was our turn to go to the Drivers School at Bryar which is even further north than Boston if you can imagine that. (I was schocked to find that Boston was North of New York). The Drivers School was first class in every way, the track was as crooked as a black snake and up and down as well which was new to me. Lot's of fun. Linda worked on the #8 flag station with experienced Eddie Hardman and Lady Jane. She thouroughly enjoyed herself, some what to her surprise I think.

Saturday Eddie and I ran the Rally and it was lots of fun and the New England scenery was beautiful. Eddie is an accomplished rallist so he did the thinking and I drove. I beleive its called navigator and driver. Once we got rid of the nice couple in the 2002 that had the skunck in it we did pretty well. The top 1/3 of a tree fell about 100 feet ahead of us almost blocking the road but other than that everything went fine. The rally wound up at the autocross site so we got a chance to see Rusty cop a second place in his class.

A personal note if I may, When your mate, not a car nut herself, goes to Oktoberfest because you want to go and when your turn to visit the corner flag station comes and you find that she has saved half of her lunch for you, that's love. Also, she's a good sport.

Saturday night was the Beer Fest with lots of good food and prizes. Sunday was the Concours and the parking lot was a fasinating place to visit.

The high lite of the whole thing for me though was the award banquet Sunday noon. I didn't win a 528i although one of our members, Walter Broadnax, almost did.

I did win the biggest of the door prizes, an Escort Radar Detector. That was quite a thrill and still is.

All in all a very worth wile and fun trip.

I look forward very much to 1982 when Oktoberfest will return to the East Coast and Tarheel Chapter will host it. See you then.

Charles

WHILE EVERYBODY ELSE IS TELLING ABOUT THEIR TRIPS I FEEL COMPELLED to say a few words about my aging Bimmer and how it did during my annual pilgrimage to upstate New York. After clearing the mushroom beds from the trunk and back seat floorboards, we filled it up with luggage, various tools and half a case of oil, we left for several days on the road before descending on my folks in Albany. I knew that the center bearing was starting to go before we left, and it did proceed to get worse, but nothing to slow us down that much. All in all, the ten year old 1600 didn't miss a beat engine-wise, things like the fuel gauge and the heater started working again and my gas mileage was nearly as good as ever. Once I got to Albany I put new bushings in the alternator mount, and my differential went dry at one point. When I went to repark it at the Holiday Inn at Rome N.Y., I turned the key and got nothing, NOTHING, but that turned out to be nothing but a loose connection on the positive lead of the battery. I had 120k on it by the time I got back and a renewed appreciation of the aging beast that has, somewhere in its gritty little heart, seen its way clear to take better care of me than I have of it.

Dave Pritchard

SOME GOOD THOUGHTS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR BMW FREAKS

The Club T shirts make good stocking stuffers.

A Membership in BMWCCA would make the best gift a non member friend or relative could ever get. You'll spend \$25 on something anyway so it might as well be something worthwhile, and if BMWCCA isn't worthwhile I don't know what is.

ALSO-

Wyndham Curles is pretty excited about a new product they're handling at Atlantic BMW. The name of this good stuff is Turbowheel Cleaner. I haven't tried mine yet but the guys at the shop say it is the hot ticket for cleaning mag wheels. I'll let you all in on it if it works as well as they say.

Mighty Red

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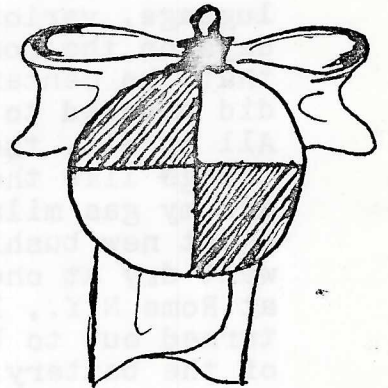
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The Bey En Vey Christmas Dinner

At The

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THEATRE



Saturday, December 22, 1979
The play will be

"MY THREE ANGELS"

The cost is \$^{25.70}12.85 per person and MUST
be paid to Linda Dickens by Dec. 15th.
You CAN call Linda at 488-0030 for
Reservations. Cocktails are at 8³⁰ pm,
Dinner will be at 9⁰⁰ and The play will
be at 10¹⁵.

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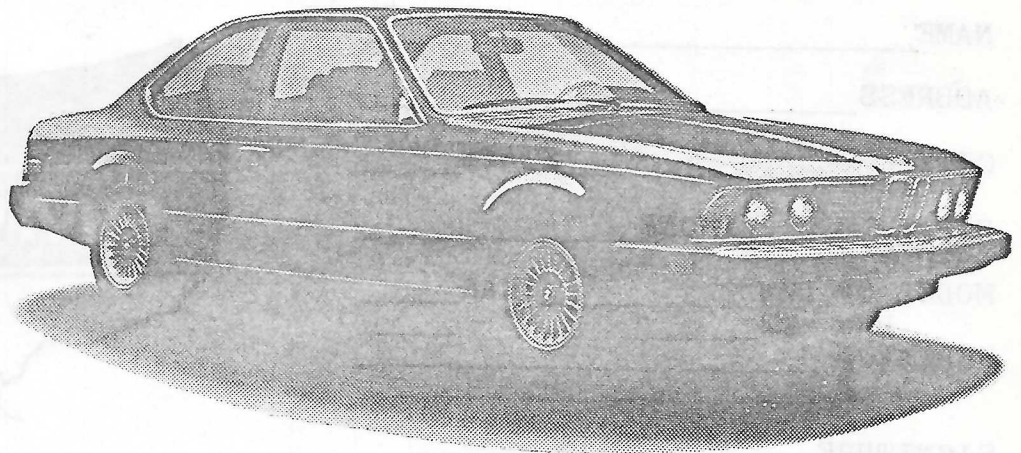
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