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Reports that say that something hasn't happened are always interesting to me, because as we know, there are known knowns; there are things we know we know. We also know there are known unknowns; that is to say we know there are some things we do not know. But there are also unknown unknowns - - the ones we don't know we don't know. And if one looks throughout the history of our country and other free countries, it is the latter category that tend to be the difficult ones. *Donald H. Rumsfeld (1932 - ), Department of Defense news briefing, February 12, 2002*

The worthwhile problems are the ones you can really solve or help solve, the ones you can really contribute something to. *Richard Feynman (1918 - 1988), Letter to Koichi Mano, February 3, 1966*

The supreme quality for leadership is unquestionably integrity. Without it, no real success is possible, no matter whether it is on a section gang, a football field, in an army, or in an office. *Dwight D. Eisenhower*

The best way to divulge a secret is to tell someone not to say anything about it. *Charles Fleischer, TED Talk: All things are Moleeds, February 2005*

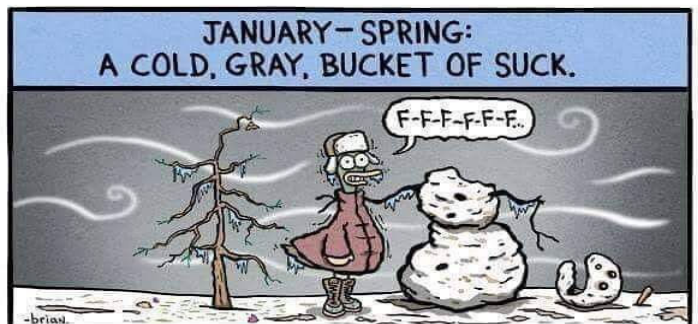
Experience is the name everyone gives to their mistakes. *Oscar Wilde (1854 - 1900),*

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## President's Message:

### THE TWO STAGES OF WINTER



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### Bill Dudley, President this month)

As I write this (January 30th), the "Polar Vortex" is freezing everyone from Chicago to Boston. I hope your house is well insulated and your heating plant is up to the strain. As long as you keep your motorcycle batteries fully charged (keep them on a smart charger), they should survive the low temperatures.

It may be winter, but there are motorcycle related things to do (in addition to buying new farkles). We had our club "movie night" last week (covered in detail elsewhere) and a good time was had by all. For vintage bike enthusiasts, this past weekend (Feb 1,2,3) was the Airheads BMW Supertech in PA (also covered elsewhere). In March is the

Martin Moto Classic Bike Show. The weather always ends up being a bit too crappy to ride to that event (plus it's not a "fun" ride), but it's the first chance of the year to see your motorcycle friends that you haven't seen since last year.

As usual, I have plans for our 2019 riding. In addition to our annual "big ride" (to LA and back via Albuquerque), we plan on attending the BMW MOA rally in Lebanon, TN (June), and the BMW RA rally in Woodstock, VA (September). There's probably going to be a visit to North Carolina in there, too, as several friends and relatives have re-located there, and we need to visit and catch up. Oh, and we mustn't forget our club's very own Oktoberfest in the Catskills (September).

When we're in California, I want to ride up the Pacific Coast Highway (CA-1) to San Francisco, and perhaps further, up the "lost coast", to Eureka and the Redwoods and the (reproduction) Russian fort that are north of S.F. Now that the Bixby bridge has been repaired, and CA-1 is fully open again, I think it's time. I've ridden CA-1 a decade or so ago, but Zhao's never seen the CA coast, so that's as good a reason as any.

Y'all dress warmly now, ya' hear?

Bill Dudley (February Prez)

## Schedule of Events – 2019!

*Please send additions and corrections to the editor!*

**NOTE: Various repeating events, such as the weekly breakfast will be announced via our Email list. One can assume the weekly breakfast takes place every Saturday AM when we're in town, usually around 9:45AM. Watch your email for announcements of where!.**

- **February 6** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location Simkos, 1311 NJ-35, Neptune, NJ
- **February 13** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **February 15** Cross Country BMW Back Country Discovery Movie Night at 6-8PM, location Cross Country BMW, Metuchen, NJ
- **March 2** Modern Classics Show at 10-5, lo-

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- **March 6** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **March 13** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **April 3** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **April 10** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **April 26-28** BMW MOA Fontana Getaway, all day, location Fontana Village, Fontana, NC
- **April 28** The "26th Gathering of the Nortons" at 10AM-1PM, location Washington Crossing Park, PA
- **May 1** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **May 8** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **May 18-19** Morton's Spring Fling, all day, location Natural Bridge VA
- **May 18-19** New Sweden BMW 450, all day, location NJ and PA
- **May 19** Classic Motorcycle Day at 10AM-4PM, location Firemans' Carnival Grounds, Mt Airy, MD
- **May 22** Evening Ice Cream Ride, Ben P at 6PM, location TBD
- **June 5** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **June 7-9** Americade, all day, location Lake George, NY
- **June 12** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **June 13-16** BMW MOA National Rally, all



- day, location Lebanon, TN
- **June 19** Evening Ice Cream Ride, Ben P at 6PM, location TBD
- **July 3** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **July 10** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **July 12-14<sup>th</sup>** BMW MOA Pocono Getaway, all day, location 1 Manor Dr., Pocono Manor, PA
- **July 17** Evening Ice Cream Ride, Ben P at 6PM, location TBD
- **August 7** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **August 14** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **August 21** Evening Ice Cream Ride, Ben P at 6PM, location TBD
- **August 30** Fingerlakes Rally, all day, location Watkins Glen, NY
- **September 1-2** Finger Lakes Rally, all day, location Watkins Glen, NY
- **September 4** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **September 5-8** BMW RA National Rally, all day, location Woodstock, VA
- **September 11** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **September 18** Evening Ice Cream Ride, Ben P at 6PM, location TBD
- **September 20-22** New Sweden BMW Club's Last Chance Rally, all day, location Buena NJ
- **September 20-22** Oktoberfest, Catskills - Don, Dan and ALL the club! More Info Here, all day, location Crystal Brook Resort, Round Top, NY
- **October 2** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **October 9** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **November 6** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **November 13** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern,

420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale

- **December 4** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **December 11** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **Date to be determined** – Club Holiday Party, more to come.
- **Date to be determined** – Club Toy Run, Children's Hospital, Toms River. More to come!

*The calendar is also available here, with more detail: [www.njsbmwr.org/calendar.cgi](http://www.njsbmwr.org/calendar.cgi)*

*There are also the regular Saturday morning "Breakfast Club" meetings, announced via the club email group list.*

*Moribundi lunch locations are announced via email, and are at 12:30PM, the first Wednesday of every month.*



## **February 2019 Meeting Agenda**

- 1 - Call to order (7:30 - Dud)
- 2 - Welcome new/returning members (Dud)
- 3 - Treasurer's Report (Joe K)
- 4 - Secretary's Report on Membership and renewals (Jim T)
- 5 - OLD and CONTINUING BUSINESS

- a) Report on Movie Night - Dud
- 6 - NEW BUSINESS
  - a) Guest Speaker – Mike Thomasey
- 7 - Open Floor - Anyone
- 8 - 50/50 drawing (Joe K)

END - Adjourn and stand around talking for 30 minutes or so.

## At our February Meeting, February 13<sup>th</sup>

*Jim T*

This month we are happy to welcome our first guest speaker of the year.

Mike Thomasey, a lieutenant and an EMT in the Hackensack Fire Department, will be visiting us to discuss emergency actions that may arise in our sport. As part of the presentation, he will be reviewing tourniquet use for bleeding control including commercially available items and how to make an improvised unit. He will also show the proper helmet removal techniques with special attention paid to cervical spine considerations.

There will be also be a CPR demonstration just so everyone has an idea of how to administer it if the situation arrives.

Mike will be happy to answer any questions from the audience.

## For Sale

*Tom Spader*

The fellow I bought the C650GT from in August, Tim Spenard has given up completely on riding.

As he did when purchasing the 'scooter'...i.e., purchasing every known option available from BMW and Cross Country...he showed the same enthusiasm when purchasing riding gear for the scoot and has a closet sorta-full of brand new riding wear...helmets, boots, gloves, jackets and clothes...many still with

price tags attached.

Here's a partial category list: Two-way Schuberth 3rd generation helmet extra large black with gray pin-striping, variety of shaded shields; the second is large white. Three pairs BMW riding shoes/boots; three pair leather gloves, one for each major riding season; BMW x-large jacket and pants complete with suspenders and more.

So if you're in need to upgrade your current equipment or just curious...give Tim a call at 732-681-0933.



Mention you're with the BMW club and explore what could be a good opportunity for you. Tim worked with Rolph Dennis Swanson in the Point Pleasant School System so he's local.

I found Tim to be a straight shooter thus would like to help him spin these items off. :)) Tom Spader 732-275-2536

# Riding in Rain is like investing in the Stock Market

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Roger T



I've written about this before but don't remember when. So since we have a few new members in the club,...here it is. This analogy is based on "seeing light at the end of the tunnel."

What do you feel when you are riding in heavy rain or cold freezing weather?

Your fingers are cold and wet. Your limbs are numb regardless of the thermostat setting on your heated jacket and gloves. Those waterproof boots "aren't" because you feel cold water sloshing around. Your face shield keeps fogging up despite the anti-fogging secondary shield and special \$10 oz fluid you purchased from a hawking vendor at the last rally. If you could only see through the water drops on the face shield.

Here's the analogy.... You're cruising down the road in all this personal misery but when you look ahead you notice a bright, clear blue spot on the horizon. It's a long way off but there's hope that things will eventually clear up and you'll be able to wind-dry off in another few hundred miles. "Just a few miles further and things will be better."

To me this is just like playing with investments

in the stock market.

Picture this. What has happened with your investments over the past few volatile months? The market and therefore your account value are bouncing up and down like a yoyo. Then, as in November and December, the market dumps.... really dumps. Your broker and TV investment evangelists recommend "holding on" during these "short term corrections."

Your account keeps on going lower and lower.

You think to yourself... maybe I should hold on a little longer because the experts are usually right. Your stomach is churning... stress level is up. All you can think about is quitting... giving in.... getting out.

Eventually there is always a light at the end of the tunnel. If you just wait a little longer, things will be better... the downward slide will stop and markets and your investments will climb back into profitable territory. You just need to "hold on a little longer."

Do you see the connection?

I do every time I'm soggy and heading down the road for a few more miles.

*EDITOR: We won't ask Roger how he's doing in the stock market..I believe "underwater" might be mentioned.*

## Club Movie Night - Jan 23

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Bill Dudley

We had our annual club movie night on January 23rd, once again graciously hosted by Crown Engineering. Pizza and soda was ordered (and paid for out of the club Treasury) and consumed. We watched two different videos, which could not have been more different from one another, though they both involved motorcycling.

The first video was one episode of Season 1 of a show on AMC (cable network) called



"Ride with Norman Reedus".

In each episode, Norman, who has starred in various TV shows (most notably "The Walking Dead"), invites someone else who is famous to ride along with him, and they go somewhere "interesting".

In Episode 1, for example, Norman (on an R9T) and a woman jewelry designer ride up California Highway 1, the Pacific Coast Highway, sampling some tourist spots along the way.

In the episode we watched, Norman invited Peter Fonda, of "Easy Rider" fame, to ride with him from the Gulf Coast of Florida to Key West. This was clearly not a "get your knee down" kind of ride, as most of the roads in Florida are dead straight. Peter Fonda is still an active motorcyclist at age 78, he was riding a (modern) Triumph cruiser and Norman was riding a (modern) Triumph Tiger.

The second video we watched was a movie from 1957, "I Fidanzati della Morte", or "Engaged to Death".

This is a movie about racing in Italy, and the plot can be characterized as "soap opera".

Regardless, it was an interesting picture of racing (and living) in Italy over 60 years ago. The picture had English subtitles so we could follow along. The video itself was the product of an extensive restoration, carried out in 2017. The restoration was paid for via a "kickstarter", which is an internet fund-raiser. I contributed to the kickstarter, for which I received a copy of the DVD of the restored movie.

All attendees but Joe were in their cars; Joe braved the (not super) cold to ride his BMW to the event.

## Monthly Meeting – February 13<sup>th</sup>

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**Eat @ 6PM**

**Business meeting starts at 7:30PM**

**Our House, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale**