

## **A note from the president.**

August 20, 2018

Yesterday your board conducted its third quarterly meeting of 2018. The next will be December 9 and you are all encouraged to toss in your two cents. In attendance were Sandy GaNun, Tony Cavaliere, Barb Carroll, Dave Johnson, John Gobey, Don Brubaker and the undersigned.

We advanced our meeting date from September 9 to August 19<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of taking up the possibility combining efforts with AutoBarn to conduct a fall track day at AutoBahn and a Fall tour. To date we have not distilled out any significant details but it remains under consideration. It would seem time is running short for putting an event together for this Fall but can certainly be considered for the 2019 season. If things change we will advise. If you have an interest in participating in or assisting production, let me know. We always need more volunteers.

As far as AutoBahn is concerned, Tony Cavaliere will be checking to see if AutoBahn does a "test and tune" on a *per diem* basis. We will post Tony's findings. If interested, drop me a note. It would be nice to know in advance what level participation we can anticipate.

Our Blackhawk Farms track day was one of the most successful in several years. The consensus favors booking a Saturday for 2019. Though more costly, from a rental perspective, we did come out about \$3,000.00 in the black. We did however, experience significant difficulty in enlisting corner workers to cover necessary corners. Blackhawk operators are strenuously encouraging us to use their staff at Race Control and the corners. The anticipated cost would be about \$125.00 per person which could bump our cost up \$750.00 to \$900.00. The consensus from our own track day committee seems to favor use of BFR personnel.

We have been meeting at Avanti in Mount Prospect for several years now and have decided to try a new venue beginning with our September meeting. Until further notice, our monthly meeting will be at **Famous Dave's** barbecue, 1631 W. Lake Street, Addison, IL 60101 (630) 261-0100. <https://www.famousdaves.com/Addison> We will post to the web site and send out some reminders. Many thanks to Mauro and the Avanti staff for providing good food and service.

Board member, Wayne Toberman is organizing a visit to Roadster Salon for Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup>. Roadster Salon is at 1201 S. Northwest Highway, Barrington IL 60010 (847) 769-7880. <http://roadstersalon.com/> If you plan to attend, drop Wayne a note at [wtob327@aol.com](mailto:wtob327@aol.com)

I have sent out an inquiry to Mike and Dianne Besic to see if and when we will be doing a swap meet this year. As things develop we will let you know.

Even though it's 5 months away we are planning for our Winter banquet. We again plan to hold it at 100 S. Chop House and Grill in Elmhurst. George Mikhail will be contacting the

restaurant for further details.

Sometime around November I will be posting a notice concerning elections. Elections for Officers and Directors of your club. Bear in mind we are an all volunteer organization and always desire new people to steer the club. If you have any ideas to enhance the experience, please join us. Your thoughts and concerns are always welcome.

Respectfully,

Dennis M. Sbertoli