

**BMW Car Club
of America
Sierra Chapter**



Coming Events:

- Jan 8, Meeting/Social, Bill Pearce BMW 6PM
- Feb 12, Meeting/Social, Bill Pearce BMW 6PM
- Mar 12, Meeting/Social, Bill Pearce BMW 6PM
- Apr 9, Meeting/Social, Bill Pearce BMW 6PM
- May 14, Meeting/Social, Bill Pearce BMW 6PM

Sierra Scene

Festive holiday party ends year of fun!

By John Strom

Twenty-fourteen ended with a wonderfully festive holiday party that was held in two stages. First was a nice get-together at the home of DeArmond and Joyce Sharp, where lots of adult-beverages were enjoyed. Second was a delicious dinner at Bricks restaurant, with some great door prizes. In each location, lots of great socializing took place as we recounted the year's many successful events and talked about the possibilities in 2015!

Plans for 2015

Ideas for events in 2015 will be discussed at the January meeting/social Thursday, Jan 8 at Bill Pearce BMW at 6 PM.

If you would like to host an event, please attend this meeting or call Russ or Cheri Huntoon at 741-4111. Some already-scheduled events include our regular monthly meeting/socials, the summer picnic, a fall wine tour, Street Survival and our annual Holiday party next December.

What would you like to do?



From the President's Desk

Happy Holidays to all of our members. We had a banner year full of new and ongoing events, informative meetings and great friendships that we shared at our monthly dinners. 2015 plans to be even better with some new events and of course the return of the more popular ones. At the January meeting we will let everyone know what the upcoming events will be and we welcome any new event ideas.

The fall **Amador Wine Tour** took us to another direction this year. We started by visiting Avio Winery, a new winery near Sutter Creek. We had a wonderful lunch and tour of Avio by the owner Stefano. We then went on to Convergence, Borjon, Karmere and Runquist for more great wine tasting. We then came back to the Shenandoah Inn where we shared some wonderful wine and cheese around the pool. There were 14 cars participating this year. De Sharp and Ron Rachow did a marvelous job of planning this event again this year.

Street Survival was held on October 4th at Sky Tavern Ski Area for the first time. As always, thanks to Jeff Warner for leading the event, along with all our wonderful volunteers. This has become a favorite event for me. I really enjoy teaching young drivers how to drive more safely. It certainly is very rewarding to see the faces on these young men and women when they realize what a car/truck can really do when pushed to its limits. We had a record year for students with a total of 22.

The **Holiday Party** was held at Bricks restaurant this year. We had 41 members attend our annual party

on December 11th. I'd like to thank Gilbert Dayao and Bill Pearce BMW for the wonderful raffle prizes as well as the Sharp's for having the cocktail party at their home. Art and Diane Ona won the glass tinting from Gilson Autobody and Graeme Price won the X3 pedal car donated by Bill Pearce BMW, which I am sure will come in handy with his son.

We elected two new officers: Ron Nicasio is our new Vice President and James Russell will be taking over for Dody as Secretary. All other officers will continue for the next two years.

This has been a banner year for **BMW** as well. A field of new BMW vehicles roared out of the gate: 2- Series Coupes, including the 228i and the M235i – the first M Performance vehicle in the US; fifth generation M3; 4-Series Convertible and the Gran Coupe; M4 Coupe and the M4 Convertible; X4; second generation X6; and finally the Alpina B6. WOW, what a list! Can BMW top this for 2015? BMW launched the BMWi cars as well. The new i3 and the i8 came out this year and have already won several design and "green" awards. I can't wait for 2015 for more exciting vehicles and events. Maybe a M2?

That wraps it up for this year. I wish all of you a Happy and prosperous New Year and hope to see more of you at our meetings to check out what is going on in your club.

Happy motoring,

Pat McGoff

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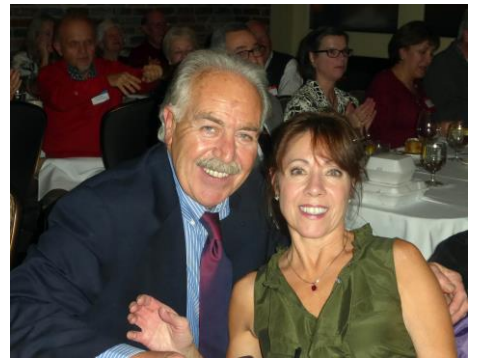
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More photos from our Holiday party!



More pictures from the Holiday party



Newsletter to transition to primarily electronic format and delivery

This issue of the *Sierra Scene* will be my last as editor. Beginning with the first quarter 2015 issue, the newsletter will shift to a primarily electronic format and delivery method. Please be sure we have your correct email address as that is the means by which you will receive your copy of *Sierra Scene* (if you've been receiving the regular email blasts that means we have your correct email address – if not, let Pat know). We will only mail the newsletter to members who do not have an email address. You will continue to be notified of upcoming events by email blasts as in the past.

I have enjoyed being the *Sierra Scene* editor since the first issue in 2007. I'd particularly like to thank my wife, Alice, for her great photography and editorial and distribution help over the years. It's been fun!

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