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## Words of Wisdom from the Prez

It's official. Winter is over.

A few of us got out to ride last weekend, I checked to see if I had any air left in the tires but that's as far as I got. Unfortunately this weather has put a stop to my Birkie training. Last year I finished in the top 95% for my age class. If I want to maintain this level of performance I'll need to find some more snow soon.

Even if winter returns—remember our season starts this Saturday with the Sweetheart ride. Another upcoming event is the Wheel and Sprocket Expo on April 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>. We'll be looking for volunteers to staff the booth there. It's a great opportunity for us to promote our club and our Lake Country Classic ride.

Norm is looking for help with promoting and advertising the BVBC classic ride on June 27<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for businesses, corporations or other organizations that want to sponsor this event. We are also looking for help contacting local news and community organizations to help publicize the ride. Remember the classic is our only club fund raising activity. It also allows us to contribute substantial amounts to bicycle related and other worthwhile charities every year. Contact Norm the Classic ride chair.

As the riding season approaches—think about inviting someone to join the club. In order to continue to thrive, we need new members. More members, more fun. As we all know, biking is good for you. We all want happier and healthier co-workers, friends and family members. Invite someone to join the ride.

Mike Dix, President BVBC

## GO BY BIKE



We know club members love to ride their bikes for fun and fitness. But how many of us use our bikes for transportation? 40% of car trips are under 2 miles, a distance easily covered by bike. Whether it's for the health of our body, our community or the environment, cycling is a great way to get around. Make a commitment to make at least one commute, errand or short trip a week by bike.

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## February Board Meeting

**When:** Tuesday, February 10th

**Where:** Bay View Library on Kinnickinnic Avenue

## Club Meetings

**When:** 7 P.M. on the third Monday of each month (no meetings Nov, Dec, Jan)

**Where:** Beulah Brinton Center, 2555 S. Bay St., Milwaukee (Bay View).

**Next Meeting:** Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> 2009 at 7pm

Open to the public, everyone is welcome!

## BVBC Hotline

For up-to-the-minute information about rides, special events and meetings call the **BVBC Hotline: 414-299-0317**. Hotline Manager Linda Roessl [roessl@hotmail.com](mailto:roessl@hotmail.com)

## **BVBC 2009 Meetings – Program Suggestions Always Welcomed!**

The schedule of speakers and presentations for the 2009 BVBC meetings is lining up nicely, but there are still a few months that are open. If you have ideas for programs or know of speakers who could present topics of interest to BVBC members, please let me know via email at [clarebeach@yahoo.com](mailto:clarebeach@yahoo.com). Thank you!

## Social Events

### February Social

Come join your fellow bike club members, friends and family for a Friday Fish Fry.

When: February 27th, 2009 at 5:30 pm.

Where:

Lakefront Palm Garden  
1872 Commerce St.  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53212

Lakefront Palm Gardens is not taking reservations because Lent begins that week. However, please contact Corrado Cirillo at [ccirillo@wi.rr.com](mailto:ccirillo@wi.rr.com) if you plan on attending.

### March Social

As is tradition in March, the BVBC will gather in downtown Milwaukee to watch the St. Patrick's Day Parade. The parade will be held on March 14th, 2009 beginning at 12 Noon. We will meet and view the parade near Buck Bradley's located at 1019 Old World 3rd St. Lunch will be at 1:30 pm at Water Street Brewery located at 1101 North Water St. Please RSVP by March 8th 2009 to Corrado Cirillo at [ccirillo@wi.rr.com](mailto:ccirillo@wi.rr.com).



### February Birthdays



Name	Birth Date
Nancy Kelly	February 2
Jim Franzen	February 5
Kay Bokowy	February 5
Thomas Sericati	February 8
Barb Kubal	February 10
Alan Burrill	February 12
Kristin Blint	February 15
Kimberly Moch	February 19
Beth Peterson	February 21
Mary Lucas	February 26
Betty Grendysa	February 26

## **March 2009 Meeting - Shop 'til You Drop at Wheel & Sprocket**

By Clare Beachkofski

The Bay View Bike Club March membership meeting (for members only) will be held at the Wheel & Sprocket Fox Point store (Santa Monica Blvd and Green Tree Rd, Fox Point) on **Monday, March 16 at 7pm**. After the business meeting and a short bicycle maintenance clinic, you're free to wander thru the store and check out the latest in bikes, accessories, and apparel. Take advantage of this pre-biking-season opportunity to re-energize your life with some new jerseys, shorts, inner tubes, tires, wheels, and maybe even a new bike! And remember – Thanks to the generosity of Wheel & Sprocket, every item you purchase that evening is eligible for the W&S discount!

### **BAYVIEW BICYCLE CLUB RIDER POINT TOTALS**

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Soriano, Joseph	134	Sericati, Tom	50
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Peterson, Pat	122	Gannon, Dan	40
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Polk, Bob	94	Pier, Barb	31
Tuckwood, Debra	91	Knepper, Dick	30
Santoro, Ron	91	Nelson, Tom	30
Krueger, Gil	82	Katzfey, Delvina	30
Krueger, Nancy	82	McKnight, Janie	20
Krall, Dan	76	Remlinger, George	20
Mallman, John	57		

## Ride Chair Update

By Pat Peterson

The rider points are now updated and are included in this newsletter. Let's hope that the little rodent in Pennsylvania was wrong and we have an early spring, after last year and the start to this year we need a break.

The schedule for the first month is also in this newsletter; sign up for the Expo. If you can help it is a good way to meet people and talk about our club. Remember that all the rides are tentative.

Ride leaders – I need ride leaders so see me at the February meeting. I will have the sign-up sheets there. If you have any questions about being a ride leader I can answer them at that time.

If you want to host a picnic ride, please let me know at least a month in advance so I can adjust the schedule. Thanks in advance. I will see you out on the road.

Pat

Contact me at [pat@bayviewbikeclub.org](mailto:pat@bayviewbikeclub.org)

1-414-771-5526 or out on the ride or at the bike club meeting

## Newsletter Articles

Members are encouraged to submit articles for the newsletter. Copyrighted material must include the author's name and permission to reprint. Please submit articles in MS Word-formatted files



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**Buy local!** Our prices are competitive with the Internet and mail-order!

## **Ride Schedule**

**Ride Starting Times:** 10am - April, May and October  
9am - June through September

### **Saturday, February 14, 2009 - Sweetheart Ride - 16 miles**

Celebrate Valentine's Day with a ride for coffee (or a mocha, latte, cappuccino grande, whatever) - Ride starts at Grant Park Golf Course clubhouse. Take I-94 south, exit at College Ave. Go east on College Ave. to Lake Dr. Take Lake Dr. south to Hawthorne Ave., east on Hawthorne to clubhouse.

### **Saturday, March 14, 2009 - St Paddy's Ride - 16 miles**

It is St. Patrick's Day so help us spin those snakes out of town then stop for coffee afterwards. - Starts at Pantheon Restaurant just west of 76th Street on the south side of the road on Rawson. Please park way in the back.

### **Thursday, April 02, 2009 - Wheel & Sprocket Expo - 0 miles**

Volunteer your time at the BVBC booth. - Held at State Fair Park located at 84th and Greenfield.

### **Friday, April 03, 2009 - Wheel & Sprocket Expo - 0 miles**

Volunteer your time at the BVBC booth. - Held at State Fair Park located at 84th and Greenfield.

### **Saturday, April 04, 2009 - Wheel & Sprocket Expo - 0 miles**

Volunteer your time at the BVBC booth. - Held at State Fair Park located at 84th and Greenfield.

### **Sunday, April 05, 2009 - Wheel & Sprocket Expo - 0 miles**

Volunteer your time at the BVBC booth. - Held at State Fair Park located at 84th and Greenfield.

### **Saturday, April 11, 2009 - Whitnall Park to Greenfield Park - 20 miles**

Easy ride following the Oak Leaf trail. - Starts at Whitnall Park Golf Course on 92nd Street just north of Rawson Ave.

### **Sunday, April 12, 2009 - Hoyt Park - 22 or 38 miles**

Suburban ride through Elm Grove, Brookfield and Pewaukee. Starts at Hoyt Park. Take I-94 west to US 45, north to Watertown Plank Rd. (at end of ramp continue straight on Swan Blvd). Stay to the right, road heads North / Northeast. Entrance to Hoyt Park is about one mile on the right.

### **Saturday, April 18, 2009 - Pewaukee Trek - 19 or 34 miles**

Fairly easy ride, mostly rural areas around Pewaukee, Merton, Chenequa, Delafield and Hartland. Joint ride with Spring City Spinners. - Starts at WCTC in Pewaukee. Take I-94 west, right on WI 16. Exit at WCTC/Main St. Turn left across bridge, go straight in to WCTC parking lot. Approximate drive time: 15 minutes from Zoo.