

Chicagoland Chapter

Mercedes-Benz Club of America Newsletter



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Note from the Editor

Welcome to our June newsletter, inside you will find the latest happenings in our chapter.

If you attend an event, please feel free to send in a summary and pictures for us to share with the other members of our chapter.

Do you have an idea for an event? Would you like to plan a drive, gathering, or other activity? Please email mbcachicagochapter@gmail.com, we look forward to your submissions!

Thank you for reading this month's newsletter, we appreciate your time and attention!

Upcoming Events This Month

Sunday, June 9th 9:00 AM	Cars & Coffee at Crown Customs & Coatings Event open to everyone, all makes and models welcome!
Sunday, June 16th 9:00 AM	Cars & Coffee at Two Brothers Roundhouse - Aurora Join our members and other fellow car enthusiasts for a morning of cars and coffee.
Saturday, June 22nd 11:00 AM	Car Show at Autosport Inc European Specialists Members have been invited to attend Autosport Inc's 2024 summer opener. Come network with other car enthusiasts!
Saturday, June 22nd 2:00 PM	Lake Bluff History Museum Auto Show The Auto Show transforms the village's downtown area into a showcase for cars from the early 1900s to 1980. Register your car here
Sunday, June 23rd 1:00 PM	Show & Shine & Lunch at Superdawg Please join us at our Show and Shine & Lunch at Superdawg in Wheeling. Come out to enjoy some time with fellow members and their cars.

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Route 66 Cruise Romeoville to Pontiac

On Sunday, May 5th, our members had a great time getting together for breakfast before heading out on a cruise of Route 66. We started in Romeoville, made a few stops at The Beller Museum, The Old Joliet Prison, Joliet visitors center, amongst others. Once we arrived to Pontiac, the group visited the Route 66 Museum, the Pontiac Oakland Auto Museum and walked around to admire some of the many murals.

This is always a great event and an equally great opportunity to meet fellow members.



Benz & Breakfast at Montrose Harbor

On Saturday, May 18th, we hosted our annual Benz & Breakfast. The Benz & Breakfast at Montrose Harbor is always a favorite among members. This year the weather was perfect, the coffee was hot, and the pastries were delicious! Those that attended were free to come and go as they pleased and it's fair to say that the members all had a good time!

Old friends were able to catch up, and new members were able to make new friends. The MBCA cannot wait for Benz & Breakfast at Montrose Harbor 2025!



Space & Spaces Tour at Yerkes Observatory

On Saturday, May 25th, our members visited Yerkes Observatory for the Space & Spaces tour, and we hope to offer this experience again soon! We learned about the history of the building, the organization, and about space! We observed their analog telescope and learned about what Yerkes has to offer. This is a hidden gem tucked away on the northwest part of Lake Geneva!

Our members had a great time exploring this amazing place and we got together for lunch nearby afterwards to talk about their experiences!

Chapter Website & Social Media Updates

MBCA Member Website & Mobile Application!

The new **MBCA member website** is HERE! If you have not already visited and established your new MBCA member account, please do it now. Every member should have received an email inviting you to establish your account and establish a new password on March 13, 2024. There is also a mobile application available to carry your membership in your pocket via your smartphone!

What if you didn't get that email or put the email in your trash? Simply go to **mbca.org** and click on Login, and then click on the Forgot Password link.

Need help logging in? Send an email to info@mbca.org or contact the National Business Office at Tues - Thurs: 9 am - 3 pm MT, phone: 719- 633-6427.

Once logged into the website:

- Click on your **PROFILE**, complete your profile, and tell us more about your interests and the cars in your garage.
- Click on **GO to My Glue Home**, in the top left, to explore your Chapter Community. Here you can interact with your Chapter and stay informed on upcoming Events.
- **EXPLORE** more in the Mercedes-Benz Club of America member website. Switch organizations by clicking on the top left circle, then Switch Organizations to the Mercedes-Benz Club of America.

If you have any questions or need any assistance managing the website, please feel free to reach out to us at mbcachicagochapter@gmail.com

Chicagoland Chapter Facebook and Instagram Pages

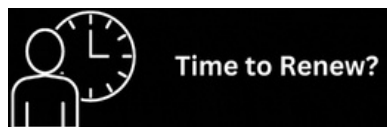
We would like to leverage the new Chicagoland Chapter Facebook and Instagram pages to provide our members and non-members updates on what we are doing, sharing our events and also just encouraging another avenue of communication with the car enthusiast community.

Please 'Like' and "Follow" using the links below or search for "Mercedes-Benz Club Chicagoland"

 [Mercedes-Benz Club Chicagoland Facebook](#)

 [Mercedes-Benz Club Chicagoland Instagram](#)

Membership



Renewing your Membership is EASY!

You can choose from one of the options below to renew.

1. Renew from the email reminder that comes in your email *
2. Log into your MBCA account and Renew from your Membership profile *
3. Mail a check to the National Business Office:
Mercedes-Benz Club of America
10 Boulder Crescent St, Suite 200
Colorado Springs CO 80903
4. Call the National Business Office and renew over the phone Tues-Thurs: 9 am-3 pm MT
Phone: 719.633.6427

*60 days before membership expiration, must log into mbca.org

Note: If you have not established your MBCA login, you can easily register by clicking on "Register" when you visit www.mbca.org

If the system warns you that the email is already linked to an existing Glue Up account, click "forgot password" to recover it before logging in.

Membership (continued)

Member Anniversaries

We would like to congratulate our members who have anniversaries this month!

25 YEARS

Thomas B

18 YEARS

Suravee R
Scott S

6 YEARS

Lawrence G
Kevin G
Dawn M
Luis P

23 YEARS

James F

15 YEARS

Andrea M

5 YEARS

Steven F
Erin Z

22 YEARS

Philippe H

14 YEARS

Ralph S

21 YEARS

Paul J

10 YEARS

Fred C

3 YEARS

Michael B
Steve C
Donald K
Karen M
David S
Stephanie S

19 YEARS

Daniel O

8 YEARS

Cora C
Rohin U

1 YEAR

James C
Robert K
Kevin L
Wesley N
Rocco S
William Z

Membership Perks

- Subscription to the award-winning The Star Magazine®
- Discount on Parts, Service & Accessories at Participating Mercedes-Benz dealers 15%
- Discount on Parts from the Mercedes-Benz Classic Center

Visit <https://www.mbca.org/member-benefits> to see the complete description of your membership benefits.

Please continue to promote our club with other Mercedes owners. Also, please don't forget to renew your membership, renewing members are the core part of our chapter.

Thank you all for your sustained membership and support to the club!

Calendar of Events

Saturday, July 13th	13th Annual Deutsche Marques at Gilmore Museum
Sunday, July 28th	Jerry Rick's Private Car Collection & Lunch at Rich Harvest Farms
Sunday, August 4th	Volo Museum & Lunch
Saturday, August 24th	Tech Session #3 - EV & Hybrid Technology at Mercedes Benz of St. Charles
Sunday, August 25th	20th Annual Geneva Concourse & Brunch at Stockholm's BrewPub
Sunday, September 8th	Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum & Lunch
Saturday, September 21st	Octoberfest at Two Brothers Roundhouse
Saturday, October 5th	Tech Session #4 - Tuning 101 at Eurocharged Performance

Event calendar is updated on a regular basis

For more information and to RSVP please visit our new [MBCA Member Website](https://www.mbca.org/section/Chicagoland/events)
(click above or go to [mbca.org/section/Chicagoland/events](https://www.mbca.org/section/Chicagoland/events))

Chicagoland Chapter Leadership

Chet Szerlag Interim President & Treasurer	Stephanie Santiago Webmaster & Newsletter Editor
Eddie Matushek Vice President	David Kieta Webmaster & Social Media
Alisa Matushek Secretary	Ron Klein Sponsorship Program & Outreach
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