



The Road Benz

The Newsletter from MBCA | Wichita

April 2016

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Wichita Section

Upcoming Section Events (April, May, June)



McPherson College | C.A.R.S. Club 17th Annual Car & Motorcycle Show & 2nd Annual Swap Meet

Saturday, April 30, 2016 10am – 4pm
McPherson College | McPherson, KS

Location: McPherson College | 1600 E. Euclid | McPherson, KS (center lawn)

Times: Car show registration/parking 8am-10:00am and Awards begin 3pm

Caravan: 9:00am sharp leaving from back parking lot of Cracker Barrel Restaurant, (optional) Park City, KS (I-135 & North 61st St) or meet us at the show.

Registration Directions: From Interstate I-135 & Hwy US 56 (State Ave) in McPherson, drive west 1 mile on US 56 and over railroad bridge; turn north for 1 block on Eby; then turn east along Baer St. for 3 blocks as it curves north; then turn west on Euclid St. and proceed west half block to registration tent.

Vehicle Registration* : \$10 prior by April 15th (\$20 at the show)

On-line registrarion: <http://www.mcpherson.edu/autorestitution/cars-show/> or <http://www.mcpherson.edu/autorestitution/cars/>

* **Note** - MBCA | Wichita Section members that enter any Mercedes-Benz will be offered their fees refunded by the Wichita Section, with proof of registration.

The car show is completely organized and run by students enrolled in the Automotive Restoration program at McPherson College, the only school in the United States to offer a Bachelor's Degree in the restoration of antique and classic collector vehicles.

At the national level, the Mercedes-Benz Club of America (MBCA) is a strong supporter of McPherson College restoration program. And for many years, MBCA club members from the surrounding states have shown their support by participating in the show by entering their Mercedes-Benz classics, to-be classics, and brand new Mercedes-Benz. The Mercedes-Benz vehicles will be judged in the Foreign Class category and will be parked all in one area. All models and years of Mercedes-Benz are encouraged to enter! It's free to attend the show and also during the show, it's free to go thru the guided tours of the auto restoration department facility. You can also see students demonstrate how to assemble in less than 20 minutes a Ford Model T from just parts.



The students will have several feature vehicles this year. One particularly unique one will be a concept car called the Manta Ray. Read more about the vehicle that has been stored in Junction City for almost 60 years: <http://blog.hemmings.com/index.php/2016/02/08/unseen-for-more-than-60-years-the-one-off-manta-ray-will-once-again-return-to-the-spotlight/>

Upcoming Section Events (April, May, June) - continued



Saturday, May 21, 2016

Cottonwood Falls Drive & Explore

- 10:00 am Caravan (optional) leaves from Casey's General Store
2036 N Andover Rd, Andover KS
Turnpike fee to Cassidy, KS = \$2
- 11:00 am Lunch @ Grand Central Hotel & Grill
215 Broadway, Cottonwood Falls, KS

RSVP Req'd: by noon Friday, May 20, 2016

- Leave names & telephone number to notify in case of severe weather cancellation.

Email to: MBCA.Wichita@aol.com
Or leave a message at 316-838-3636



Saturday, June 11, 2016

Meet for Lunch & Brew

- 11:00 am Lunch at Stearman Field Bar & Grill
14789 SW 30th St, Benton, KS
(Benton Airport, 1 mile south of K-254 & Main St)
- 1:00 pm Tour Walnut River Brewing Co.
111 W. Locust Ave, El Dorado, KS

RSVP Req'd: by noon Friday, June 10, 2016

- Leave names & telephone number to notify in case of severe weather cancellation.

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PAST EVENT REPORT

Membership Meeting & Lunch Bricktown Brewery January 30, 2016 Wichita, KS



We had a great new-year kick-off meeting with 20 active members in attendance! We even had a long time member that was finally available to attend for the first time!



Everyone brought great ideas for future section events

that were later discussed in the board meeting held in February. Some ideas included visiting the same places that we really enjoyed the past couple years and others were new places.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Kirk Filbey, Section President

Oh Kansas...what sort of weather will you bring us next. I want to believe its spring and the weather has been amazing, but I keep thinking Mother Nature has another trick up her sleeve. In any case it looks like this was the right winter for me to be lazy and not bother putting my hardtop back on my car



With the nicer weather, it's time to start thinking about spring and summer club activities. We have quite a few events so the next few months are looking great. Of course one of my favorite events is the McPherson College C.A.R.S Club Car show. It's coming up at the end of this month (30 April) and I highly recommend it to everyone. Even if you have absolutely no desire to compete or take part in the car show, it's a lot of fun parking in our own section of the show and checking out all the cars. This really is a fun event so go ahead and get registered for it.

In other news some of you may have noticed that MBCA made some pretty big changes to their website. The website is definitely still under construction (as I'm typing this column I noticed most of our past event reports have vanished from the website...they should be back...), however I'm hoping they'll have all the bugs ironed out soon. We will continue to post our upcoming events and event reports on this site so stay tuned.

So perhaps you've notice this is an election year. Well this just so happens to be an election year for our Wichita section as well! We will be having a membership dinner in August and as part of that event we will also be conducting elections for the section officer positions. If you have any interest in getting involved in a club leadership role then please keep this in mind. Also please don't hesitate to e-mail or speak with any of the current section officers if you have any questions about the officer positions; they'll be happy to answer your questions.

Well, time to wrap up this column. As always please spread the word about our club to fellow Mercedes-Benz drivers; it's always great getting new people involved. Also, take a look at the upcoming club events and start penciling them in on your calendar. Thanks for your support of the club and happy driving!

Kirk

Be sure to renew your membership!



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<https://www.mbcawichita.org/star-article/march-april-2016/mercedes-benz-safety-assistance-systems—whys-and-hows>





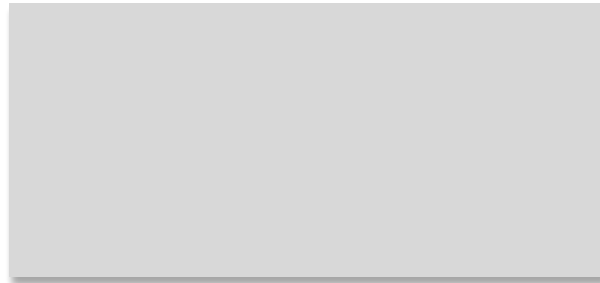
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Upcoming EVENTS!

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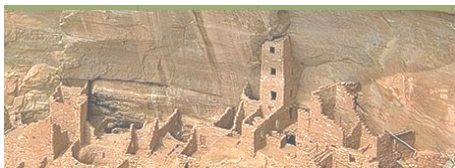
2016 Upcoming Events

*** Mark your calendars ***

- Aug 27 Election Meeting & Dinner, Wichita, KS
- Sep 9-11 Multi-Regional Event
- Sep 24 German Car Show, Salina

MBCA Multi-Regional Event September 9-11, 2016

- Visit -
Mesa Verde National Park and
Colorado & Four Corners Monument



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Mercedes-Benz of Wichita
Article by Kirk Filbey

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December Event report and picture!

