



The Road Benz

The Newsletter from MBCA | Wichita Section

April 2012

Wichita Section 40th Anniversary

Upcoming Event

Saturday, May 5, 2012

**McPherson College | Automotive Restoration
13th Annual C.A.R.S. Club Car Show
9:00am – 4:00pm (9am-11am car entries)**

Registration Fee: \$15 (\$10 prior to April 30th)

Our section will pay or reimburse the entry fee to section members that enter their Mercedes-Benz.

Registration Form: <http://www.mcpherson.edu/autorestitution/2012CARSRegistration.pdf>

For more information: http://www.mcpherson.edu/academics/auto_club.php



Who To Look For:
Wayne Carini,
host of "Chasing
Classic Cars"
will be there.

Location: McPherson College Campus
1600 East Euclid Street, McPherson, KS

Directions: -From I-135, go west 1 mile on US-56 (Kansas Ave.)
-Immediately after crossing over the railroad overpass
bridge, turn north on Baer St. for 1 block and then back east a couple
blocks and then back north...follow the sign telling you to make a left.
The entrance for registration/car show will be straight ahead. You'll be
parking on the campus grounds.



The car show organizers usually reserve a "prime, shady" spot for the Mercedes-Benz clubs. You'll see: Rolls Royce, Bentley, Packard, Auburn, Cord, Stanley, and other classic vehicles from the 1900s to 2012.

The students of the auto restoration

department give guided tours of the facilities. Impressive demonstrations of engine rebuilding, wood framing, upholstery, and forming fenders from flat sheet metal stock often given. A demonstration by the students given assembling a Model T from parts in than 20 minutes.



-All years and models of Mercedes-Benz are encouraged and welcomed to the show.-

*It's the best
car show in the
area!*

*Come see for
yourself.*

*The restoration
facilities tour is
worth the drive
to McPherson!*





Be sure you are taking advantage of all your membership benefit for your \$49/yr. (15 cents/day)!

Member Benefits

So you're enjoying the award-winning magazine, **The Star**, a one-year subscription - six issues mailed every two months.

But there is MUCH MORE!

- After a year of membership and renewal without lapse, you'll be eligible for a **\$1,000** credit towards purchase or lease of your next new Mercedes-Benz (from an authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer)
- Present your Club membership card at participating Mercedes-Benz dealers and receive an additional discount of up to **20% off parts and service**
- 15% off some of the finest clothes in the world at **Brooks Brothers Clothing**
- Preferred pricing with the world's foremost Medical Evacuation and Transportation company, **MedJet Assist**
- 20% off room rates at **eight (8) exclusive resorts** across the United States (See "All Benefits" link under the "Membership" tab). Also includes complimentary daily breakfast for two at the restaurant of each resort, discounts on tennis / spa amenities and much more!
- Enjoy preferred rental rates from **Avis** and **Hertz**
- Receive discounts on nearly every item that **Sears** offers only when you're a member of MBCA
- Get 15% off parts at the **Mercedes-Benz Classic Center** in Irvine, CA
- Save loads of money when you insure your Mercedes with preferred pricing from **Chubb Collector Car Insurance**, only through MBCA
- Get preferred interest rates on purchases when you apply for and shop with our **Visa Platinum Rewards Card**
- Get thousands of dollars off moving, home-buying, home-selling and mortgage financing products and services through our **Allied Van Lines** Moving Benefits Program
- **Tech Talk** - the Mercedes-Benz Club of America's technical director is available to assist members with their technical questions. He is furnished with hard-to-find technical manuals and bulletins from Mercedes-Benz USA (MBUSA).
- And for fun, try any one of our car events, technical clinics or socials—from rallies and racetrack driving to under-the-hood tutorials, Concours d'Elegance, off-road drives, Germany vacations, wine tours and more. There's always something for everyone.

see more: <http://www.mbc.org/available-benefits>



Some past Wichita Section Events



Be sure to renew your membership!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER – HELLO FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS!

As the new section president, I'd like to take a moment and tell you a little about myself. I've been a member of the Mercedes club for 11 years. I've owned one type or another Mercedes for 15 years now.

Some of you know me as "The 126 guy". As you know, the 126 body style is the S Class from 1979 – 1991. My current pride and joy is my 1989 420 SEL. I also have the coupe version, a 560 SEC.

Our first get together was at Old Chicago restaurant in February. We enjoyed fine company and food, as well as a guest speaker, Shane Dresser, from McPherson College – School of Auto Restoration and president of the C.A.R.S. Car Club.

We're planning on having several club activities this year. We welcome all input from the membership regarding future events. Our next event is the C.A.R.S. Car Show at McPherson College.

McPherson College is the only accredited college offering a 4 year degree in Auto Restoration in the world. The C.A.R.S. auto show is an annual event drawing car enthusiasts from many states. Last year, there were 5 MBCA sections represented – Pikes Peak, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Kansas City, and Wichita.

My fellow officers and I look forward to seeing you at the show. I, myself, will be showing my 420 SEL and 560 SEC.

Sincerely,
Steven Bessett

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your email
address*

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L-R: Moore, Kissick, Bessett



Feb 2012 Shane Dresser, Speaker (Front-2nd from right)

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER GOAL: Email Address Request

The Wichita Section has a goal to move to 99% electronic communications. With the growth of the section, there is so much more we can share via electronics, i.e., recommended forums, blogs, websites, news, etc.

ALL MEMBERS, please send your name and email address to: **MBCA.Wichita@aol.com**

Privacy Statement: Your email address will NOT be shared with anyone except the section officers and newsletter editor and be used for section communications only.

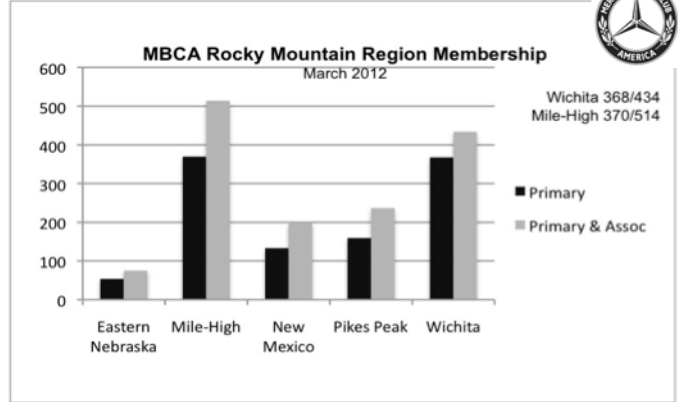
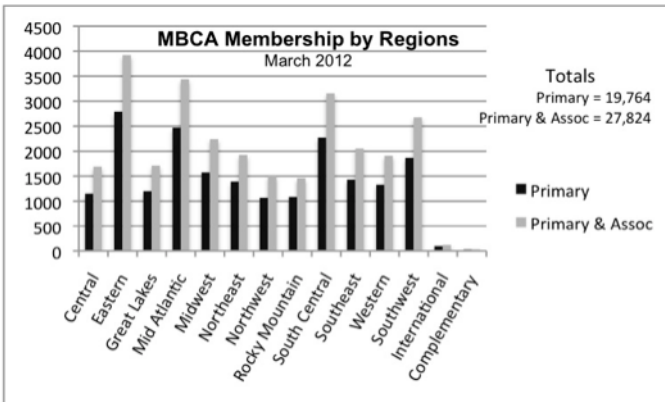
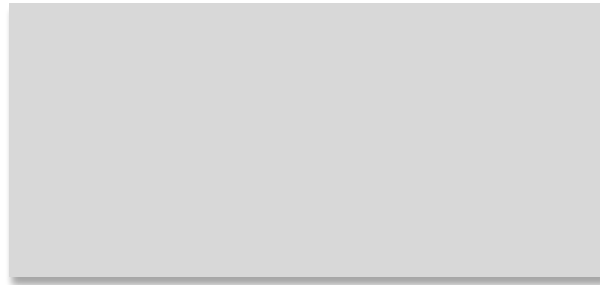




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Mercedes-Benz Club of America



There are many reasons you have a passion for Mercedes-Benz. This is the place to indulge them.

Join us at StarFest® 2012
 Hosted by the MBCA Desert Stars Section
 September 28 - October 3, 2012 in Phoenix, Arizona

For More Information:
 Visit www.starfest2012.com
 or contact Rick Stacio at rstacio@desertstars.org

More Than a Car. We're a Community.™

Notice how much the Wichita Section has grown in the past couple years!

