



The Road Benz

The Newsletter from MBCA | Wichita

August 2016

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Wichita Section

Upcoming Events (Aug & Sept)

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AUGUST EVENT

**Club Social & Dinner
with Elections**

Date: **Saturday, August 27, 2016**

Time: **5:30pm Cocktails with Business
Followed by Dinner**

The club will be covering dinner for member* and one guest. (For club liability, alcoholic beverages excluded from dinner coverage)

Location: **ADRIAN'S Cafe (in Private Rm)**
2121 N Rock Rd. Suite 300
(SW corner of 21st & Rock Rd)
Wichita, KS

RSVP: * Required *****
by **Friday NOON, August 26th**
Email to MBCA.Wichita@aol.com
Or leave a message at 316-838-3636



* Members in Good Standing

Event Business:

Election of officers & directors.

Discuss fall activities – subjects, places, frequency, times.

Make decision on fall overnight road trip.



MBCA Multi-Regional Event September 9-11, 2016

<https://milehigh.mbcawichita.org/section-upcoming-events>

- hosted by: Mile High Section -

**Mesa Verde National Park and
Colorado & Four Corners Monument**

Upcoming Events (continued)

Saturday, September 24, 2016



DAS SONNENBLUMEN AUTOFEST

-The Sunflower Car Show-

hosted by: German Car Club of Kansas
Oakdale Park - Salina, KS

Includes:

Food Vendors

Nearby - Smoky Hill Museum Street Fair

<http://www.smokyhillmuseum.org/street-fair/>



This will be our section's third year participating in the car show event! Everyone had such a fun time the last two years that we decided to do it again. Last year, club member, Katrin Kolder from Russell, KS, displayed her newly acquired 1976 450 SL and won 3rd place in the Mercedes-Benz Class! Expect to see 80-100 vehicles, any and every kind of German designed vehicles including lots of Mercedes-Benz.

Join the Mercedes Benz Club Caravan (or meet us at the show) –

The caravan leaves from Cracker Barrel Restaurant's back parking lot in Park City, KS (I-135 Exit 14 & 61st N) and others can join in along the route, e.g., as we pass by the McPherson ramp on I-135 Exit 60 & US 56 Hwy.

8:15 am Departure from Cracker Barrel back parking lot

9:00 am Merge with more members near McPherson

9:45 am Arrive at show in Salina

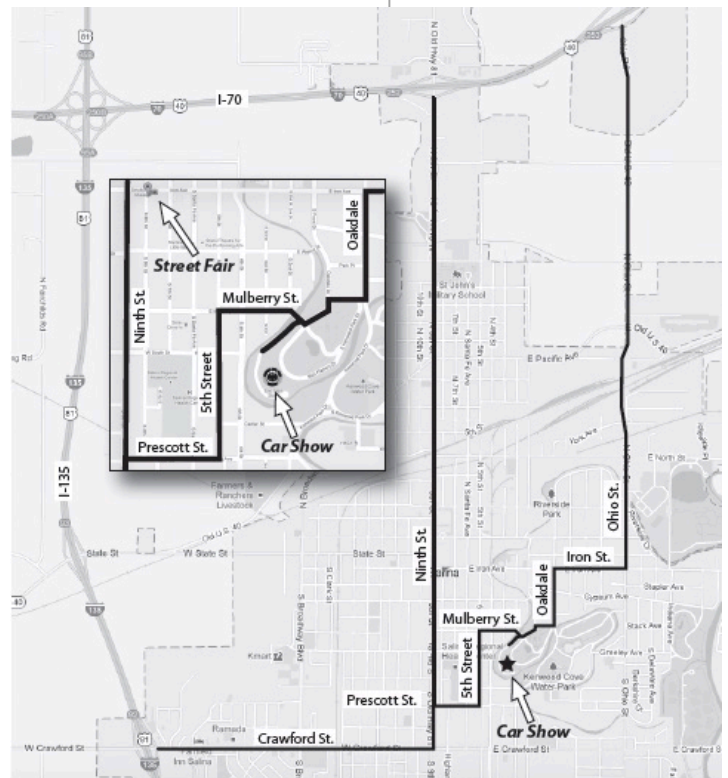


Registration – No pre-registration. Registration fee is \$10 per vehicle, but our club will pay the registration fees for any Mercedes-Benz entered by a MBCA|Wichita Section club member. Registration opens at 8:00am and award ceremony starts at 3:00pm.

RSVP by Friday, Sept 23rd in order to reserve a MB parking space at the event. Let us know whether to expect you in the caravan or at the show.

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PAST EVENTS REPORT



McPherson College 17th Annual C.A.R.S. Club Car Show April 30, 2016 McPherson, KS



After heavy rains the night before, the weather didn't stop this year's show from being the best it has ever been! There were at least 8 or more beautiful special feature vehicles in the center court and one of the largest car entries in the show's history. There were at least 16 section members that attended with 6 members that entered their cars. A total of 13 Mercedes Benz were entered in the show. One surprise was a team of representatives from California's Mercedes Benz Classic Center and their official van. We set up the MBCA club information table along side the Classic Center's tent. The Mercedes Benz Classic Center plans to return next year to help celebrate the college restoration program's 60th Anniversary.



Cottonwood Falls Drive May 21, 2016 Cottonwood Falls & Strong City, KS

The caravan arrived at Grand Central Hotel & Grill and 16 members and guest enjoyed lunch before taking the



main street shops and attractions. The group then visited the nearby Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve with its historical ranch house, and the new visitor's center. It was a great day in the Flint Hills.



Lunch & Brew June 11, 2016 Benton & El Dorado, KS

While watching planes fly in and out, 11 members and guests enjoyed lunch under the

huge ceiling fan at the Stearman Field Bar & Grill. The group then drove over to the Walnut River Brewing Co for another tour of their expanded production facilities and of course had to sample some of the tasty products.





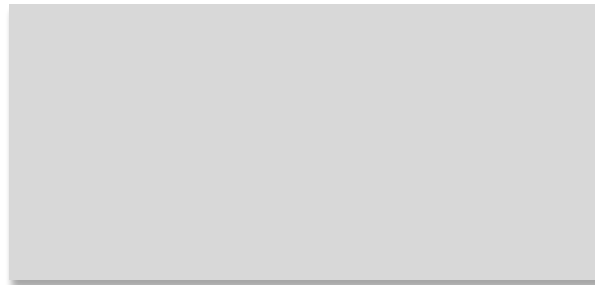
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Mercedes-Benz Club of America

Upcoming EVENTS!

Aug 27, 2016
Sept 9-11, 2016
Sept 24, 2016



Be sure to renew your membership!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Kirk Filbey, Section President

My goodness the summer has flown by! Hope everyone has been enjoying the weather and getting some good drives in. The club kind of took a break this summer but we'll have some more events planned for the fall. In fact one of our favorites is coming up at the end of September: the Sonnenblumen German car show up in Salina. This is always a good time and a great opportunity to hang out and see some very interesting cars and motorcycles. It's worth going even if you have no interest in competing in the car show itself. Check out the newsletter for the details.



Additionally I wanted to put in a plug for our club dinner and elections at the end of this month. Please mark your calendars for the 27th and come out for some food, fun, fellowship, and....elections. Yes it's true, we have elections. All officer positions are two year terms and so this year marks the start of new terms. If you have any interest at all in the officer club positions, please give this some thought and consider running. We are always interested in getting more people involved in club activities.

With the nicer weather I've been seeing a lot more convertibles out and about including some very nice Mercedes Benzs, both new and older. Of course this always gets me thinking...are these folks members of MBCA? Okay, maybe that's just me! The point I'm trying to make is to reach out to these folks and find out if they are an MBCA member. Please spread the word about our club to fellow Mercedes-Benz drivers; it's always great getting new people involved. Thanks for your support of the club and happy driving!

Kirk

