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*What do
blueberries,
Mr. Softee,
and
Mercedes Benz
have in common?*

*Find out on
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*Where should MBCA-SJS
drive next?*

*Give us your thoughts!
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Welcome, New Members!

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Russell Haines

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**We look forward to seeing you
at one of our upcoming events!**

Have you recruited a new member for our club?

Please call 1.800.637.2360 or visit

www.mbca.org to join now!



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<http://www.mbca.org/benefit/refer-friend-program>

Club Calendar

South Jersey Section Events

Check out our website @ www.sjs-mbca.org for the latest event information!

MBCA-SJS is also now on Facebook @ www.facebook.com/pages/SJS-MBCA/108857329185983

August 13 & 14—New Hope Auto Show

New Hope-Solebury High School, New Hope, PA

The hosts of the New Hope Auto Show had a classic Mercedes on hand at the Philadelphia Car Show and features the Benz among its classics on display. To find out more about the show (and entering your own classic into the competition) check out their website at: www.newhopeautoshow.com.

September 10—Annual Regional Picnic, Hopewell Join us at John Bleimaier's Country Estate for the six category popular vote car show and end of day lawn sprints. Free hamburgers, hotdogs, sodas and sides will be available. Guests are asked to bring a lightly used item for the silent auction (proceeds to charity) and our host will have pictures from the latest Concours at Pebble Beach.

October—Dealer Day at Mercedes Benz of Cherry Hill Hosted by SJS Secretary and Mercedes dealer Mark Onbashian. Come check out all the new models!

December 4—Holiday Party, Scotland Run *For more details contact Bill Fisher, Section Treasurer.*

Regional Events

2011 Fall Foliage Rally & Tour 9/23-25

Saratoga Springs, New York

Rally and Tour the beautiful Adirondack Mountains ...Please contact Ron Tanner (518-822-1664) as soon as possible as rooms are very limited this time of year.

Hilton Head Concours 2011 11/5-6

Hilton Head, South Carolina

This two day annual event on Hilton Head Island is not to be missed. <http://www.hhiconcours.com/>

MB125—National Events

2011 Lake Huron Mille Driving Tour 9/24-30

St. Claire, Michigan

The 2011 Lake Huron Driving Tour will circle Lake Huron on scenic U.S. and Canadian roads.

MBCA Trip to Germany takes off on 9/26

I wonder if a flight in the EC145 will be on the agenda... (See Page 11)

For more information on events in your region or around the country, check out the MBCA Events Calendar @ <http://www.mbca.org/upcoming-events>

MBCA – South Jersey Section moves to support Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia in the Child Life, Education and Creative Arts Therapy Programs

It is with great pleasure to announce that MBCA – SJS will be supporting the “Child Life, Education and Creative Arts Therapy program through efforts of donations and participation in the pet therapy program with Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP).

With this announcement, I am pleased to introduce “Emily”, one of MBCA – SJS’s pets working to become part of the Pet Therapy program at CHOP. Emily who herself is a rescued golden retriever went through the necessary training and is now a registered therapy dog through “Pet Therapy Inc.” and is awaiting her application approval to become part of the PAW PARTNERS team with CHOP.



Emily of the CHOP Pet Therapy Team

On December 1, 2010, Emily became part of the registered “Pet Therapy Team” with Therapy Dogs Inc. Emily has also successfully passed the “Canine Good Citizens” test on June 11, 2010 and was awarded a certificate of accomplishment by The American Kennel Club.



Emily relaxes at the MBCA-SJS Blueberry Picnic & Show

Please join Emily and myself in support of the Child Life, Education and Creative Arts Therapy Program for the children at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. As you can see below, donations can be sent directly to Bill Fisher, Treasurer of MBCA – SJS to help in achieving our newly established annual donation goal of \$1,000.00 for 2011.

Thank you for your support,

*Lee Clifford
President*

**Join MBCA-SJS in supporting this cause by sending your donations to:
Bill Fisher, Section Treasurer**

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Please make checks payable to MBCA-SJS with “CHOP-Emily” in the Memo Line

2011 Blueberries & Benz

June 25th proved to be a beautiful day for another memorable South Jersey Section Blueberry Picnic & Car Show.

Werner and Nancy Felhauer played hosts once again to a day filled with cars, blueberries, buffets, awards, and a reward for all in the shape of Mr. Softee's ice cream.

"Our President, Lee Clifford, thought it would be a nice idea for the club to treat our members," Vice President Jim Zinsky announced. And what a treat it was!



2011 Picnic & Show Award Winners—For a complete listing, check out Page 6!

But, let's admit it; we aren't here just for the food. A wide variety of Mercedes, from 80's Diesels to Smart Cars were proudly displayed under the shade trees, each with a story to tell. Danny Goldberg's 1991 300D is a daily driver with over 380,000 miles. Amy McKenna's award-winning 1967 230SL is an inherited family treasure.

Of course, many MBCA-SJS members are more than just drivers, as Jerome Johnson proved. After pulling into the picnic his 1987 300E came to a smoking halt. A tractor pull and some quick thinking later, Jerome was able to replace the radiator with the help of fellow club members Werner Felhauer and Bill Fisher. "I am currently in Orlando, Florida, for the [July 4th] holiday driving the MB 87 300E with no leaks," Jerome later reported from the road.

Food, fun and friends; just another great afternoon with Mercedes Benz.

For a complete listing of Show Winners and Member Recognitions, turn to Pages 6 & 7!

Want more photos from the day? Check out Page 10!



Jerome Johnson & Werner Felhauer found the Picnic & Show to be a moving experience.

2011 Blueberry Picnic & Show Award Winners

<i>Sedan</i>	<i>SL</i>
<p>1st Place</p>	<p>1st Place</p>
<p><i>Jim McNicholl</i> 1978 450SEL</p> <p><i>Louis & Karen Cirauda</i> 1988 560SEL</p>	<p><i>Bob & Debbie Walther</i> 1987 560SL</p> <p>2nd Place</p>
<p>2nd Place</p>	<p><i>Amy McKenna</i> 1967 230SL</p>
<p><i>Michael & Katerina Christakos</i> 1982 240D</p>	<p>3rd Place</p>
<p>3rd Place</p>	<p><i>Donald Stellhorn</i> 1997 SL500 Roadster</p>
<p><i>Norm & Victoria Ross</i> 2003 CLK320</p>	<p>4th Place</p>
<p>4th Place</p>	<p><i>Lee Clifford</i> 2007 550SL</p>
<p><i>Claire Wegner</i> 2003 E320</p> <p><i>George Noakes</i> 1986 190E</p>	<p>5th Place</p> <p><i>Edie & Al Rohrman</i> 1984 280SL</p>
<p>5th Place</p>	<p>★ <i>Best Antique</i> ★</p> <p><i>Amy McKenna 1967 230SL</i></p>
<p><i>Mihir Wankawala</i> 2007 S550 AMG</p>	

2011 Member Recognitions

25th Year



*David Woffindin, Lambertville
George Noake, Moorestown
Kathleen Koos, Mantoloking
Robert Donnelly, Holmdel
William Hans, Manahawkin*

20th Year

Werner Fehlauer, Gibbstown



15th Year

*Daniel Gaydos, Somerdale
Ronald Batory, Moorestown*



10th Year

*Joyce Brader, Mt Laurel
Richard Schroeder, Manasquan
Philip Evans, Hopewell
Arto Kirikian, Lawrenceville
Jack Morelli, Princeton
Paul Buzzi, Moorestown
James Zinsky, Haddonfield
Jay Kennedy, Morganville*



5th Year

*Bruce D Alfonsi, Egg Harbor Twp
Mirek Lisowski, Titusville
Donald Wilson, Williamstown
Michael Christakos, Egg Harbor Twp
Bryan Fuerst, Manalapan
Walter Einhorn, Woodbury
Dianne Mc Loughlin, Brick
Ronald Smith, Williamstown
Ronald Konietzko, East Windsor
Joseph Greco, Turnersville*



SHANGRI—LOT

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For Sale—M-B factory Windblocker for a 2005 and on SLK Mint condition! including carrying case \$375.00 firm. Contact Joe Turner Old Mill Lane Meadowbrook, Pa 19046 Cell 609-774-8495

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DEAL!

For Sale – 4 1984 380SL original wheels in average condition. There are four P 205-60R14 radials currently mounted on them. The tires have less than 3000 miles on them and the side of the auto on which they were mounted is noted on the inside of each wheel. First reasonable offer takes them! Pick up only. Call Joe (609) 680-3049 or e-mail to jgreco23@comcast.net.

For Sale—Wheels & Tires

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For Sale—1973 Mercedes Benz 280 4-Door Blue Sedan, 130k miles, daily driver. Runs great! Original California Car! Asking: \$1900 O.B.O Email: Wes Franken at wjfranken@gmail.com

For Sale- 300E 2.6 black with tan interior. The odometer says 68,938 but has been broken for the past year. This was my daughter's car while at college. The NJ inspection is good until April 2013. The Becker radio was replaced with a Sony (plays AM, FM, CD and Aux – Ipod) The exterior has some dings and some trim missing, the interior is good, with no obvious holes. The air conditioning does not work! Not for as long as I have owned the car. The engine runs well and has 158 horsepower. Contact Bill Fisher at billfisher_560sl@yahoo.com or 609.221.2633



Letter from the Editor



Membership is vital to any organization and SJS is no exception. It was so great to see so many new and familiar faces at the Blueberry Picnic this year.

Our E-Board is always interested in receiving member input regarding event options for our section. Please take a moment to answer the following questions. Your responses will help the E-Board to give SJS members an optimal MBCA experience.

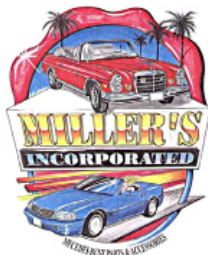
Responses may be emailed to Susan Goldberg, Newsletter Editor, at jerseysouthernstareditor@yahoo.com. (If you'd like to snail-mail your responses, please call me via the phone number listed on Page 2.)

Thank you for your participation!

1. Why did you join MBCA-SJS?
2. What events have you attended in the past?
3. Which of the following types of events would you welcome in the future?
 - Afternoon drives touring covered bridges, wineries, coastal touring, etc.
 - Family-friendly outings
 - Tech Sessions
 - Dealership visits
 - Local/Regional Car Shows
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Susan Goldberg

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More Blueberry & Benz Fun!



Clockwise from top: Norm & Victoria Ross demonstrate the perks of their CLK320; Amy McKenna drives in Best Antique; SJS Members share in the beauty of Benz; SJS Officers Lee Clifford, Jim Zinsky, and Bill Fischer congratulate our Regional Director Werner Fehlauer on 20 Years of Membership; Resident Techspert Danny Goldberg consults with member Jerome Johnson on the quick repair of his radiator's return intake pipe.



News from the 'Net: The Mercedes-Benz of Helicopters



"Hey Honey, our ride is here!"

Who wouldn't want to fly Benz? Have a business lunch out of town or an event that just can't wait? Why not head out back or to your local airport to fly and arrive in style?

According to Davey G. Johnson of Yahoo! Autos, "The European rotary-winged aircraft consortium — and sister company of Airbus under the EADS umbrella — has teamed up with Mercedes-Benz to outfit its twin-engine

utility helicopter for business-luxury transport. The lead on the project was undertaken by the company's Advanced Design Studio in Como, Italy, which pulled design cues from the company's design roster of interior packages. Not to compare apples to oranges, the EC145 Mercedes-Benz Style is more akin to a S65 than an SL. Or, with its land-darn-near-anywhere capability, a G-Class SUV.

The rail-mounted seats can be configured for up to eight passengers (think capo, consigliere and six gorillas). The wood and ambient lighting draw influence from Benz' up-level E-Class and S-Class sedans. Unfortunately, the SLS AMG's gullwing doors aren't an available option, as they interfere with the operation of the 145's rotor. " Have a cool \$8.5 million to spare? Could make for some fun at the next South Jersey Section event...



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