



The Jersey Southern Star

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- **North & South Jersey Picnic & Car Show**
Hopewell, NJ
September 19
- **Starfest 2010**
Winchester, VA
September 24-29
- **Luncheon & Wine Tour**
Thorofare, NJ
October 10
- **Tech Session**
Lakewood, NJ
November 6 or 13
- **Holiday Party**
Scotland Run
Williamstown, NJ
December 5



CONGRATULATIONS TO KATHLEEN BOLTIS OF CINNAMINSON, NJ!

We received the wonderful news that one of our members of the South Jersey section has won \$1000. in the annual Mercedes Benz Sweepstakes.

Kathleen has been a member of our chapter for the past seven years. She is the proud owner of a 1999 SL500 and 1998 S500.

We are all very happy for you Kathleen. It just goes to show that we need to "play to win."

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MBCA

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U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

**North New Jersey Section Regional Annual PICNIC
(with the South Jersey Section)**

September 19th 2010 from 10 - 4 PM

Picnic will be held on the farm of John Bleimaier, "Falkenhorst", in Hopewell, NJ*. **To sign up, please email: lulu-chab@aol.com.** Include your name, section affiliation (SJS), email, phone, number of participants, model and year of your Mercedes and what you are bringing: food and silent auction. All attendees are requested to bring an Appetizer, Salad (preferred) a Side Dish or a Desert . The club(s) will provide hot dogs, hamburgers and beverages. There will be a silent auction of MB "stuff" to benefit charity; bring an item to donate.

*Address:

41 Moore's Mill Mount Rose Road
Hopewell, NJ 08525
Phone: 609 466 1718

Luncheon and Wine Tour

October 10, 2010 at 12:00 noon

Start: Riverwinds Restaurant 1075 Riverwinds Dr. West Deptford , NJ856-579-7900. Enjoy a relaxing tour of South Jersey wineries along with a caravan of beautiful cars.We will begin at the lovely Riverwinds Restaurant where you will buy your own lunch. Following, we will embark on a road trip to the following wineries:

Wagonhouse Winery	Cedarvale Winery	Heritage Station	Auburn Road Vineyards
Grasso Girls Farm Market	205 Repaupo Station Road	480 Mullica Hill Rd.	119 Sharptown Auburn Rd.
353 Wolfert Station Road	Swedesboro, N.J. 08085	Mullica Hill, NJ 08062	Pilesgrove, NJ 08098
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609-780-8019		(856) 769 (wine)	

Any Questions E-mail: JZinsky@aol.com or call (856) 429 6676

**Luncheon and Wine Tour
Sign-up Sheet**

Name(s) : _____ E-mail Address: _____

Cell Phone Number on day of event: (_____) - _____ - _____

\$5.00 per car (\$10.00 after 10/01/2010)

Checks payable to SJS-MBCA
Mail to: Lou Granato
509 Woodbury Road
Pitman, NJ 08071

PAST EVENTS

BLUEBERRY PICNIC

What a beautiful sight to behold, 27 Mercedes Benz cars all lined up and ready for show at the 4th Blueberry Picnic and Car Show hosted by Werner and Nancy Fehlauer on their beautiful blueberry farm in Gibbstown, NJ, and what a beautiful day it was. The heat was not a bother under the many shade trees that surrounded the wide range of Mercedes Benz cars that lined the property. What a great turnout, of 27 cars, including new members! Cars ranged from a 1966 250 C class owned by Jim and Chris Zinsky to the newest a 2010 E550 owned by Donald and Barbara Stellhorn, and in between there was a wide range of automobiles that Mercedes and its owners can be very proud of. One car in particular that set the stage in the new standard of "MINT CONDITION" was the 1989 560SL owned by Richard and Carol Runner! As blue as the sky and as perfect the day, this car was superb! The Runners purchased their diamond of a car in late 2009 with its 36K original miles and all its many originals. The pride and glow just beamed with one of SJS's newest members! Congratulations to the Runners as the Mint Condition 1989 560 SL was the peoples chose and was awarded the position of first place winner! Another special congratulation goes out to Walter Merkh, who was awarded a very special milestone gift, his 35 year membership pin! The picnic was a great success and a great time was had by all right down to the homemade food and the picking of blueberries compliments of the Werner's that we all enjoyed. Thank you and appreciation goes out to Werner's for a most successful picnic and car show.

By Sherrie L. Clifford



PAST EVENTS (CONTINUED)



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M B NEWS

New Club Website

The new MBCA national club website went operational on August 31st. It is much more modern, and should be easier to use with more features, pictures, and section activity listings. If you haven't checked it out yet, please do so soon: <http://www.mbca.org> Note that they encourage constructive comments for improving the new sites, so fire away!

M-B Product Rumors?

From various automotive press sources, there are a lot of new and interesting products coming out of Stuttgart in the next 2-6 years. Everything from a possible 2012 USA version of the C-Class Bluetec Diesel(4-cyl, turbo, over 200hp and 400 lb-ft of torque) to a hybrid E-Class Diesel, similar to the current S400 Hybrid. Then there's a few gasoline Hybrid versions in the pipeline, too. Something to dream about!

Fun at NJMP

Northern New Jersey has a tentative date to try your hand at Karting at the NJMP track in October. We tried to get that in on August 22nd but got rained out. The track provides helmet, driving suit, gloves, and a F1 Kart. Looks like a lot of fun without having to get your own car prepared for the big track! Keep checking with the NNJS web site or contact their president, Joe Grattan for details.

Don't Miss STARFEST!

This every 2-year national event is nearby in Winchester, Virginia this year, sponsored by our neighbors in the Greater Washington Section. The Concours will be held in historic downtown Winchester, while the driving events are nearby - especially 2 days at the Summit Point track. If you've never been to one of these, you are missing the best club event that we have. Look at the ad in the STAR® or on the GWS or national MBCA web sites. This is indeed a must do! See Page 9 for additional details.

H E L P W A N T E D

To Mercedes-Benz Club members in South Jersey:

You may have heard the old slogan, "Uncle Sam Needs YOU!"

Well, YOUR club section needs YOU, too! Many of us have enjoyed some great events over the past few years, and as you probably know, great events require planning and a bit of work. We all know that our section will only remain active and functional for the benefit of the membership if we continue to get a good rotation of people in our leadership positions. The section doesn't need a 100% set of new leaders at one time - but a phased-in rotation would do us a world of good.

We will be holding our annual Holiday Party on December 5th, and that coincides with the section's bi-annual officer elections. The present slate has been doing their jobs for the benefit of us all for many years, and we owe it to them to provide some help. New faces in some of the positions is in order, to let current officers have a well-earned rest.



The current board of officers invites any member (and that includes associate members - spouses) to step up and volunteer to serve in any capacity in which they might have an interest. And in addition to the usual board positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, we also need active people in critical committee leadership positions such as events, membership, newsletter, publicity, etc. Some committee tasks in particular can have multiple members, so that the work can be divided allowing accommodation for work and family responsibilities. But ALL volunteer help will be gratefully accepted and appreciated!

So please, contact any of the present officers or your Regional Director with any questions you might have about any of the leadership positions and duties. Contact info is in this newsletter and also on our section web site. Offer your candidacy so that we can have a real election at our holiday party. Remember, your section can only plan and schedule the activities and opportunities that the volunteers give us as leaders.

Your South Jersey Section really DOES NEED YOU!

By Lou Granato

Our South Jersey Section is in urgent need of finding a replacement newsletter editor.

This is a **VERY IMPORTANT** job in our club, as we need to continue to communicate on a regular basis with our members in order to function as a club. The main effort is to collect articles, pictures, edit and format a 12-page newsletter. Unlike in the past where the editor is responsible for printing, folding and mailing, the final version of the newsletter is sent via e-mail to a third party, non-profit organization for printing and mailing every 2 months. Being very comfortable with computers is a must, and preferably with some experience using a desktop publishing software such as MS Publisher. We are flexible in the details of this effort.

To ease the transition, all MS Publisher files of previous newsletters from the August/September 2006 to this newsletter will be made available to the next newsletter editor should he or she decide to continue with current format and layout.

We are asking a section member, or family member to volunteer for this important work. Candidates should contact any section officers with their offer of help and qualifications.

UPCOMING EVENTS
(CONTINUED)

SOUTH JERSEY SECTION HOLIDAY PARTY BRUNCH

SUNDAY--DECEMBER 5, 2010

Can you believe it? The summer of 2010 is gone!! I am sure that most of us are 'sorta' glad to see this one fade into fall so we have time to recover from the high A/C bills before the heating season begins with its own energy requirements. What better time for looking ahead to cooler weather that usually accompanies our annual Holiday Party Brunch. Yes, we will be returning to the Scotland Run Golf Club, in Williamstown, NJ, and Yes, the prices are still the same as last year. The time is 11:30am for coffee and chit-chat. The brunch will be available at 12:00.

So, put the date into your calendars-SUNDAY, DEC 5, 2010- so as not to miss it. Better yet, why not fill out the reservation coupon below NOW as a distinct reminder so that as the date approaches you can just tuck it into an envelope, along with your check made out to SJS-MBCA, and put it into the nearest mailbox. Your friendly mailmen will see that it gets delivered and I will do the rest!!

Lou Granato, Treasurer

THE 2010 HOLIDAY PARTY RESERVATION REQUEST:
Sunday, December 5, 2010, at 11:00AM

NAME(S) _____

Email Address _____

Telephone _____

_____ Adults @\$25.00 each _____

_____ Children ages 5 to 12 @\$10.00 each _____

Total enclosed _____

Make check payable to: SJS-MBCA

Please send to: Lou Granato- SJS-MBCATreasurer
509 S Woodbury Rd
Pitman, NJ 08071-1635

Scotland Run Golf Club
2626 Fries Mill Rd.
Williamstown, NJ 08094
Phone: 856-863-3737

From Atlantic City and Shore Points

Atlantic City Expressway westbound to Exit 41 and turn left at the top of the exit. Proceed approximately 3 miles and make a left at the Shell station. Proceed approximately 1/4 mile to Scotland Run Golf Club.

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S H A N G R I - L O T

Advertising Information

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FOR SALE: 2002 CLK 320 red/black leather /perfect condition in & out. AMG grille, wheels, badges & pedals. New tires, brakes,& cat converters. Owned by MB mechanic. 68,000 miles. \$15,500 or BO. Call Jim (609-529-2948) or email to jmccarthy5909@comcast.net

FOR SALE: 1977 450 SL with about 165,000 miles on it. There is some cancer and rust, the interior is fairly good but the dash has a couple of cracks. Best offer. If interested please call Dean Ruble at 856-768-6586.

FOR SALE: 2001 320 SLK Convertible/Coupe Silver/Charcoal Like New only 12000 Miles, All Standard Equipment plus, Automatic Trans., Heated Seats, 6disc CD Changer. Garaged with MB cover. \$16,500. Tom Zima 732-714-0080 (Point Pleasant, NJ).

FOR SALE: 1980 450 SL with 68,075 miles on it. This car is in very good condition. Silver blue with dark blue interior. Hard top to match. Kept in garage with cover. New jersey state inspection just completed. Asking \$12,000 but will consider other offers. If interested please call Phil Evans 609-280-4400.

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.

S T A R F E S T 2 0 1 0

Dates: Sept 24 to 29 2010

Websites www.starfest2010.org or www.twitter.com/starfest2010

Location: Winchester Virginia www.visitwinchesterva.com

Hotels: Courtyard Marriott Winchester Medical Center www.marriott.com/wgocy Towne Place Suites, Winchester (www.towneplacesuites.com/wgots) Room Rates \$85 per night, limited 2 bedroom suites at TPS @109 both include breakfast

StarFest® 2010 Mercedes-Benz Concours d'Elegance: Historic Jordan Springs, VA, www.historicjordansprings.com

Seminars & Clinics SONAX M-B Detailing Clinic & Leatherique clinic at Courtyard Marriott (fri) Mercedes-Benz Suspension - Pierre Hedary, M-B 107 Chassis Cars - Edward Owen, Becker Radios - Ed Able, MBCA Roundtable - MBCA Leadership, Tires- Rod Stotsenburg, plus more at Historic Jordan Springs (sat)

Rally: Historic Winchester VA area locations - TBD

Autocross/Defensive Driving: Winchester Area Location - TBD

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Do you have a car or car related items that you would like to sell? Contact the editor at juneandres@hotmail.com to have an ad placed here in the "Shangri-Lot." This is FREE for members only!

THE MAYBACH

Maybach Lives : New Range 2011

We've all but assumed Maybach was a goner. With the economic downturn and sales hovering around the 300-unit mark annually, Mercedes-Benz' rebadged uber-lux brand makes a hard business case for itself. However, Automobile reports that Maybach may be down, but it's not out, and a range of new products are on the way. With the S-Class due to be replaced in 2012, the range-topping Benz will offer up its revised platform for five new Maybach models. The standard 57 and 62 will benefit from upgraded sheet metal, interiors and electronics, while a CLS-like four-door "coupe" will be added to the line-up along with the oft-rumored long-wheelbase convertible – a sort of mash-up between the 62 Laundaulet and Mercedes' Ocean Drive concept from 2007. Despite M-B's ongoing issues with CAFE standards, motivation will continue to be provided by the same 6.0-liter V12 powering current Maybachs, although horsepower is expected to rise, torque output could crest 850 pound-feet and Mercedes' seven-speed automatic will be part of the package. More intriguingly, Automobile says that with the new transmission, an electric motor could be fitted, boosting output by 20 hp and allowing the massive sled to drive in full electric mode for up to 10 miles. There's also talk of a new nine-speed automatic transmission being fitted and fuel economy rising by around 25% – so figure around a 2-3 mpg improvement for both the 545-hp and 630-hp versions.



In order for Maybach to survive, it has to be more than just a reworked S-Class and to that end, an insider told Automobile that future models will be "jewels on wheels and at last worthy of the brand." We shall see...

Happy Motoring

Matthias J. Massier

Source: Automobile /Autoblog

Scotland Run Golf Course (continued)

From Philadelphia and Western Suburbs

From Walt Whitman Bridge to Route 42 South. Continue on Rt. 42 South to the Atlantic City Expressway. Take the Atlantic City Expressway to Exit 41 (Not Route 41) and turn right at the top of the exit. Proceed approximately 3 miles and make a left at the Shell station. Proceed approximately ¼ mile to Scotland Run Golf Club.

From Ben Franklin Bridge to Route 676 South. Take Route 76 East to Route 42 South to the Atlantic City Expressway. Take the Atlantic City Expressway to Exit 41 (Not Route 41) and turn right at the top of the exit. Proceed approximately 3 miles and make a left at the Shell Station. Proceed approximately ¼ mile to Scotland Run Golf Club.


From Trenton and Northern NJ

Interstate 295 South to Route 42 South. Take Route 42 South to the AC Expressway. Take the Atlantic City Expressway to Exit 41 and turn right at the top of the exit. Proceed approximately 3 miles and make a left at the Shell Station. Proceed approximately ¼ mile to Scotland Run Golf Club.

From Wilmington and points South

Interstate 95 North to Commodore Barry Bridge to Route 322 East OR New Jersey Turnpike North to Exit 2 to Route 322 East. Follow Route 322 East through Glassboro and continue on Route 322 for approximately 3 miles to Fries Mill Road. Turn left on Fries Mill Road and proceed ¼ mile to Scotland Run Golf Club.

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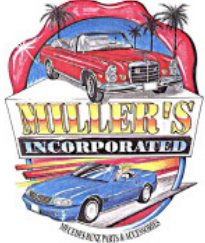
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Starfest 2010 (continued)

Social Events: Historic Downtown Walking Mall, Winchester, VA, Historic Jordan Springs, Family Drive-In Theater

Race Track: Summit Point Raceway Main Course www.summitpoint-raceway.com

Other Attractions: Skyline Drive, Shenandoah Valley Museum, Dinosaur Land, Patsy Cline Museum, Virginia Wine Country, Middleburg Horse Country, Shepherdstown WV, Harpers Ferry WV, Luray Caverns & Carriage & Car Museum, Winchester Civil War Museum.

Banquet Locations Historic Jordan Springs, Formal Banquet for the StarFest® Mercedes-Benz Concours, a more informal final Awards event for the StarFest® Awards Banquet.

Driver's Meeting location Sunday night at the Towne Place Suites, they are including a reception which we will add to and do the drivers meeting.

Schedule of Events (proposed):

Friday Sept 24, Arrivals, Rally Time, Pre-Concours Detailing Clinics, Flea Market Welcome Reception

Saturday Sept 25 Concours d'Elegance, Technical Seminars, Rally, Concours Awards Banquet

Sunday Sept 26 Defensive Driving, Autocross, Local Area Tours, Rally, MBCA Drivers School and Reception.

Monday Sept 27 Summit Point Raceway Track Time, Local Area Tours, Drive-In Movie Night & Picnic under the stars

Tuesday Sept 28 Summit Point Raceway Track Time, Local Area Tours, StarFest® 2010 Awards Banquet

Wednesday Sept 29 Farwell Breakfast and Photo Swap, Departures

Activities of interest to non-drivers: Winchester is conveniently located to a number of historic areas, interesting attractions, as well as being the center for agriculture. Tours and activities of interest for the entire family can be arranged for non-drivers to StarFest® 2010 .

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For BUSINESS ADS, please contact Lou Granato at 856-589-0781 or by e-mail at lougranato@verizon.net



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