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San Francisco Bay Area Mercedes-Benz Club

Member Appreciation Holiday Gala Sunset Soirée

Sunday, December 6th 5:00PM-9:00PM

Clos La Chance Winery
San Martin



1 Hummingbird Lane, San Martin, CA 95046 408-686-1050 www.Clos.com

The Clos La Chance Winery is an elegant winery right close to Morgan Hill. It is family owned. Our club held a unique photography

First Sunday Drive



January 3, 2016 TBD

Classified

FOR SALE:

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session on the property a few years ago and one of our First Sunday drives ended there. The wines are wonderful and award winning. Many weddings and special events are held there.

To register: go to www. Motorsportreg.com by Thursday, Dec. 3rd Price is \$65 per person

Come and bring in the holiday season with your friends from our amazing car club!

Guests are welcome.

Questions or comments? Contact Steve Robinson at sb.robinson@comcast.net 925-487-9793

or Gloria Loventhal at glorialov@gmail.com 408-289-1933

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Election of Officers

Thirteen members voted to approve the slate of officers nominated by the Executive Board. The officers for 2016 are:

President - Steve Robinson Vice President - Lou Piccinini Secretary - Eric Wee Treasurer - Mauna Wagner



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Detail Certificate at MB of Walnut Creek

Other events of interest:



Biscotti and Cars
First Saturday Each Month
Sausalito

Your suggestions for club activities are always welcome!

Click here for your <u>Board of Directors</u> contact information to talk about any other club-related matter!

Visit our club website for up-to-date information on club events. **sfba.mbca.org**

National Events:

Starfest 2016, Hosted by MBCA Minuteman Section

National Raffle, Win a 2016 GLC

2016 Events Calendar

2016 encompases a full schedule of technical, social, and educational events suggested by members at the November Planning Meeting.

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| MONTH | | EVENT | LOCATION | LEADER |
| January | Т | Stahl Motors Technical Event | Monterey | Peter Judy |
| February | S | Campo de Bocce | Los Gatos | Ron Nesson |
| March | Т | Auto Restoration Technical Event (Tentative) | San Jose | Peter Judy |
| April | E | USS Hornet Tour | Alameda | Eric Wee |
| | E | Alternate: The Candy Store Museum | Burlingame | Lou Piccinini |
| May | D | Mendocino Overnight Roadtrip | Mendocino | Geoff Paulsen |
| June | Т | John Muir House & Grave and Shelby/Cobra Museum | Martinez | Jack Weir Gloria Loventhal Tessy Albin |
| July | Т | Teddy Bear Picnic and Hill Winery Photography Workshop | Napa Valley | David Albin |
| August | E | Legends of the Autobahn | Monterey | MBCA National |
| | S | After-Legends of the Autobahn Reception | Monterey | TBD |
| | Т | MBCA StarFest 2016 – National Event | Connecticut | National MBCA |
| September | D | Hearst Castle Overnight Road trip | San Simeon | Sandor Drobilisch Chris Barker |
| October | Т | Autonomous Vehicles – Google and Apple | Mountain View/Cupertino | Ron Nesson |
| November | Т | MB R&D North America Center | Sunnyvale | Steve Robinson |
| December | S | Holiday Gala at Blackhawk Automotive Museum | Danville | Jack Weir + other |
| January 2017 | E | Computer History Museum | Mountain View | Ferris Lewald |

Driving Technical Educational Social

Check out the **Events Planning Calendar** on our website:

New this year (coming soon):

- Directly contact Event Leaders from Events Page on web
- Directly Contact Activities Director to suggest, lead, or assist with events

Our First Event for 2016! **Stahl Motors in Monterey**

First Mercedes-Benz Dealer in California



WHEN: Jan 23 9:30 to 12:00

WHERE: Mercedes-Benz of Monterey

498 Fremont St., Downtown Monterey

Tech Session with a bit of Stahl Motor Company History by Peter Judy, Technical Director

Located in Historic Downtown Monterey, Stahl Motor Company was founded in 1928 by William Stahl as a Packard franchise. In June 1957 Stahl Motor Company (now Mercedes-Benz of Monterey) became the 1st authorized Mercedes-Benz dealership in California and the 2nd in the United States. It is still owned and operated by the Stahl family.

Many of us are familiar with the larger corporate owned Mercedes dealerships in the Bay Area and around the country. You will not find that here. What you will find is a dealership with a small town atmosphere and longtime employees, some of whom have been here 40 years. This is one of a few dealerships that will still work on our classic Mercedes. And, they provide great discounts to our members.

So come join us on Saturday, January 23, 2016, for what will be an outstanding and informative session. Ken Brown, Certified Master Technician and Parts Manager, will address the Mercedes-Benz worldwide supply chain: where parts are manufactured, how they are distributed to the dealers and us, and how I can still order a genuine Mercedes fender or hood for my 45 year old car. Ken will answer these and many other questions.

Following this, Ken will give us a colorful history of the Stahl Motor Company covering its 87 years at the same location. Ken, by the way, is an MBCA member and a 30+year employee of the dealership.

Coffee and pastries will be provided at 9:30 AM. Ken's program will begin promptly at 10:00 AM.

Since there is no street parking, parking will be provided down a driveway to the left of the building in a lower parking lot.

Following the session, there will be an optional no-host lunch at a nearby restaurant for those who are interested.

Space is limited, so register early on www.motorsportreg.com if you want a chance to visit this very special dealership. You won't be disappointed.

If you have any questions, my contact information is:

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Local Shops

Mid-Peninsula, San Mateo



MB Garage, 2165 Palm Ave., San Mateo

South Bay, Campbell



Mercedes Connexion, 155 Kennedy Ave., Campbell

