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"MBCA SECTION OF THE YEAR"

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Daniel Boone Tour/Wine Country Gardens

Saturday, May 9th, 2015

Defiance, Missouri

MAY DRIVING TOUR, PLUS HISTORY AND DINNER ! Our tour will begin from the parking lot in front of **Lowe's in the Chesterfield Valley** off of Highway 40/64. **Plan to arrive by 11:15. We will leave promptly at 11:30** and drive in caravan to **WINE COUNTRY GARDENS**. THIS IS A CHANGE IN PLAN FROM OUR PREVIOUS DESTINATION OF Chandler Hill Winery.

WINE COUNTRY GARDENS (2711 South Highway 94) offers excellent food, wine, and other beverages at very reasonable prices. One will not be disappointed. You can also shop for plants, pottery etc., if you so desire. After lunch we will travel to the Daniel Boone Home, only a short distance away, for a tour and demonstration of some of the weapons used by the pioneers of the day. We will assemble in the gift shop and there will be a charge of **\$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, and \$5 for children**. Please pay Kacey Cowdery when you arrive at 2:30 - Tour will begin at 3:00.

We need you to **RSVP no later than April 30th** to Ed Barutio at 636.273.9046 or edbarutio2@att.net. Looking forward to having you join all your SLGS friends for our May event.

28th Annual St. Louis European Auto Show

Sunday, June 7th, 2015

Brand New Venue – Same Fabulous Beneficiary !

Please join your fellow St. Louis Gateway Section members as they once again participate in the Midwest's Premier auto show event, the **St. Louis European Auto Show**. This not-to-be-missed activity will be held on **Sunday, June 7th**, in its **BRAND NEW VENUE, the Taubman Prestige Outlets** on North Outer 40 Road in Chesterfield, Missouri. **Show hours are from 11:00 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Over 200 spectacular show cars are expected again, not including the wonderful examples from across the pond brought to you by the supporting sponsors and car dealers. Along with exceptional examples of Mercedes-Benz automobiles, the Show will also include models from Porsche, Audi, BMW, Jaguar, Ferrari, MINI, Rolls Royce, Bentley, Austin-Healy, MG, Triumph, and others.

The Officers and Board of the St. Louis Gateway Section have once again agreed unanimously to donate \$500 to the **St. Louis Shriners Hospital for Children**, which continues to be the Show's beneficiary.

As always, admission to this wonderful event is **FREE**, but donations are always welcome.

We are asking for the registration of your M-B, as well as volunteers to assist in representing our group at the St. Louis Gateway Section's tent. In the past, our promotional efforts have typically brought in 6-8 new members into our Section.

Please **contact Rick Siefert (rick.siefert@att.net or 314.435.1903)** for further information regarding this year's Show and to volunteer your assistance. Registering your M-B can be accomplished by accessing the St. Louis European Auto Show website, which is **StLEuropeanAutoShow.com**.

Kirberg Car Collection – Open House

Saturday, July 11th, 2015

St. Louis, Missouri

On Saturday July 11th, St. Louis Gateway Section members and guests have been invited to view Doug Kirberg's antique vehicles and memorabilia. Doug's collection began with a 1954 Cadillac purchased at a Barrett-Jackson auction. This was then followed by a 1932 Cadillac and a 1930 LaSalle. He then entered the brass era with a 1910 Buick acquired from Hyman, Ltd. Classic Cars. This private collection will be on display for the enjoyment of the attendees.

Starting at 1:00 p.m., you can view the display. Grilled hot dogs, beer, soda, and water will be available at no charge. All that you need to bring is a side dish or a dessert, as well as your lawn chairs.

The Kirberg Company is located at 1400 South 3rd Street, St. Louis. We will be parking our Mercedes together, as there will be other clubs in attendance. Detailed driving instructions will be emailed at a later date.

To make your reservation, no later than July 6th, contact Sonny Sterthman at 618.632.387 (home) or 618.628.0476 (work) or email at elmer.sterthman@countryfinancial.com.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There is something special about this time of year. As the weather teases us with perfect driving weather, all I can think of is driving a convertible down some twisty two-lane country road. Unfortunately I am still relegated to more modest transportation. As the proud parent of two boys, a five-year-old and a three-year-old, I'm still driving a grocery-getter. The beauty of being in a club like ours, is every month, as we get together for an event, I get to stare at your beautiful SL and live vicariously through you for the day. I'll forgive you for not returning the gaze at my R350.

Last Saturday, we had a beautiful day for a nice drive to Columbia and Boonville, MO to visit our world-famous Clydesdales. I want to thank Steve and Wendy Green, Kathy Atwood, and Dana Faerber for all the work they put into organizing a great day for us all. We had a few new members with us. I hope they felt welcome, and we hope to see them again soon. If you also enjoy a beautiful drive through the country with friends, make sure you put our May driving event on your calendar. In addition to the drive, you'll get a chance to see the Daniel Boone home, & enjoy a little wine as well.

Another fine event that deserves our attention is Cars and Coffee. One Saturday each month, between April and October from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., come join your fellow auto enthusiasts at Westport Plaza for some coffee, cars, and great conversation. Although this event is not affiliated with our club, I am grateful that such an event exists. I hope to make as many of these as possible between May and October. The next Cars and Coffee is May 16. See page 13 for more information. See you there!

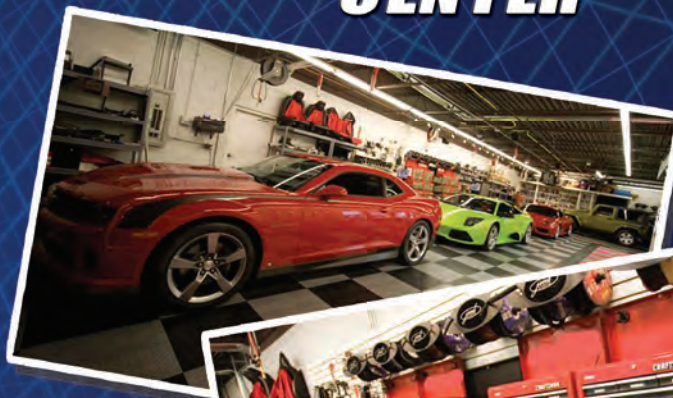
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MEMBER APPRECIATION RECEPTION

Wednesday, March 4th, 2015

Mercedes-Benz of St. Louis

Mercedes-Benz Of St. Louis continues its tradition of supporting the St. Louis Gateway Section.

Kate Hennekes and her staff, at the beautiful brand-new Mercedes-Benz of St. Louis, once again provided St. Louis Gateway Section members a fun, entertaining, and educational Member Appreciation Reception on Wednesday, March 4th. A large contingency of members participated in this wonderful event, despite the prediction of inclement weather.

Assisting Kate was Carly Weis, Service Administrator, who provided us with a wonderful Italian meal from the Pasta House. Introductions of Service Manager, Dave Cissi, New Car Sales Manager, Patrick Piper, and Pre-Owned Sales Manager, Bryan Hughes were made and each provided the group with a synopsis of what their department does for its customers. Dave also provided a tour of the facility, for those attendees who had not visited the new dealership yet.

President Dan Valle introduced and formally

welcomed to the club all members who have joined over the past year. Dan also provided details of upcoming club events.

Attendance prizes, provided by the dealership and the Section, were distributed to numerous attendees.

A special presentation to the dealership was made by Central Regional Director, Rick Siefert. Mercedes-Benz of St. Louis was honored to be highlighted in the March/April edition of The Star magazine as a StarDealer. A beautiful plaque, denoting this honor, was presented to the dealership, depicting the photos and article in The Star and thanking them for their continued support of our organization.

This wonderful club activity proved to us once again what a unique and friendly group of members we are privileged to have in the St. Louis Gateway Section. We encourage members who do not regularly attend our events to come out and experience the warmth and camaraderie that is offered through our group.

Our sincere thanks are extended to Mercedes-Benz of St. Louis for sponsoring this Special Event. (See photos on Pages 6 and 7).

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Member Appreciation Reception – March 4th, 2015



Ron Faerber, Rick Siefert and Ed Barutio



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Don and Karen Barker

Member Appreciation Reception – March 4th, 2015



Russ Hughes, Ron Faerber and Ed Barutio



Carol and Bill Reynolds with Rick Siefert



Gary Wilson



Steve and Marti Jacquemin



Laszlo Puskas



Dan Valle, St Louis Section
President with Patrick Piper (New
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Events of Interest

MBCA CENTRAL REGIONAL EVENT 7th Annual Show 'N Shine Sunday, August 9th - Carmel, Indiana

There's something about cars on display and lots of food that bring a crowd. Join us on Sunday, August 9th at Noon for the 7th Annual Show & Shine Picnic along with invited members of the MBCA Central Region, including Bluegrass Stars, Cincinnati, Memphis, Mississippi, Nashville, Smokey Mountain, and St. Louis Gateway Sections.

Always a popular event, we are once again calling all members who love to show off their Benzes. Shine up and show off your pride and joy if you wish, commune with fellow car lovers, and enjoy a pitch-in lunch. There will be informal judging and awards. While aficionados are inspecting the cars, we will be preparing burgers, brats, and hot dogs on the grill, supplemented by side dishes and desserts pitched in by owners and visitors alike.

There is no charge! Please RSVP with the number of people attending, and whether you are bringing a side dish, chips, dip, or dessert. **Contact Ken Salter at ksalt@hotmail.com or 317.789-9981 no later than Wednesday, August 5th.**

Location: Carmel West Park, 2700 W. 116th St (Just 1/4 mile WEST of Towne Rd), Carmel, Indiana, 46032.

2015 SATURDAY CARS AND COFFEE

Saturday: 8:00 – 10:00 AM

Westport Plaza South Parking Lot, St. Louis

From the St. Louis BMW Club Web Site

Many of us have busy Saturdays...the family, house and errands. BUT then, there ARE our cars...and the need to get out, spend some time with others over just coffee and chat.

CARS & COFFEE is just that. Everyone gathering early Saturdays, at a central location and just enjoying cars...a good reason to get out, have coffee and drive when traffic is a LOT less. It starts early, and ends early so everyone back home is happy that you are not "killing" the whole day. Stay for the whole time, or leave when you must. Some groups are using it to start a club "tech day" or road trip.

BUT THE IMPORTANT THING IS: our cars are out...we are driving and seeing & talking cars for a few civilized moments of the week with others of like mind. Your neighbors would not understand.

CARS: open to all sporting makes & marques, ALL eras and it is not a show or a concourse. Old & new sit side by side gladly. It's just that: Cars & Coffee.

RAIN? If it's raining – some might not come but there is always a gathering. It's still a time to get out with enthusiasts away from the fray.

Westport management is very excited for the event; two of the guys are big car nuts themselves, and will hopefully be attending with their own classics ! Their main concerns are not things that we have ever had an issue with in the past at Rock Hill, so we don't anticipate any problems. But they ask that we be respectful of their property, in particular trash and littering. Clean up your mess! Absolutely no parking in handicapped spaces, and be mindful for a few weekend workers at the adjacent office buildings.

Lastly, the Starbucks Westport location played an integral part in making this happen and getting the right people from Westport management to give the final OK on this. Without their support, Cars & Coffee would have been a harder sell to get set up. We have good choices between Starbucks, McDonalds and Bread Co, but please keep this aspect in mind if you plan on grabbing a morning brew.

Dates for the 2015 season:

May 16

June 20

July 18

August 15

Sept. 19

October 17

Renew Your Membership At Lower Rate

The MBCA has been working hard to enhance the membership experience and are committed to making YOUR membership a valuable and memorable experience. To properly serve our members, the National Board of Directors has approved a \$6 increase in annual membership dues, effective July 1, 2015. **You can renew your membership NOW and save before the increase takes effect. You will save even more by renewing for multiple years !**



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WARM SPRINGS RANCH TOUR

Saturday, April 18th, 2015

Boonville, Missouri

The weather was kind when 57 members of the MBCA Gateway Section met at the Plaza West parking lot for a trip to the Boonville Missouri area. Our first stop was the at 44 Stone Public House in Columbia, Missouri, where we enjoyed a great lunch in a decor of sleek curved walls and cherry wood tables and brushed steel which meets textured stone. The food was excellent.

Then it was off to the Warm Springs Ranch, the breeding farm for the Budweiser Clydesdales, resting on 300-plus acres of lush, rolling hills in the heart of Missouri. Established in 2008, it features a mare/stallion and foaling barn, veterinary lab and 10 pastures, each with a customized, walk-in shelter. The facility is home to more than 100 Clydesdales ranging from foals to stallions.

One of the highlights of the tour was a three-week-old foal named Joker who weighed approximately 120 pounds at birth. Before you decide to have a Clydesdale as a pet, you need to know that each hitch horse consumes as much as 20 to 25 quarts of whole grains, minerals, and vitamins, 50 to 60 pounds of hay and 30 gallons of water per day ! This was another great Section event and a special thanks goes to our hosts, Steven and Wendy Green ! (see photos on pages 16-18)



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Mercedes-Benz Says Its Upcoming Mid-Size Premium Truck Will Not Be For "Fat Cowboys"

By Ronan Glon - April 15, 2015 <http://www.digitaltrends.com>



The head of the company's commercial vehicles division bluntly explained that the upcoming pickup, which will most likely wear the GLT-Class moniker, would not be a "fat cowboy truck for North America." In other, more politically correct words; Mercedes is not aiming for the Chevrolet Silverado/GMC Sierra twins, the Ram 1500 and the hot-selling Ford F-150.

Instead, the GLT will take the form of a much smaller mid-size pickup that will be aimed at overseas markets such as Latin America, Africa and the Middle East. The GLT will be sold in Europe, too, but the pickup market on the Old Continent is relatively small. U.S. sales have been ruled out for the time being.

Mercedes will co-develop the truck with industrial partner Nissan. British magazine CAR reports that the GLT's frame, axles and body structure will all be sourced from the new Nissan Navara, but the sheetmetal, every part of the interior and the drivetrain will be Mercedes-specific.

Although technical details are still being finalized, an anonymous source close to Mercedes confirmed that the GLT would be available with a long list of four- and six-cylinder gasoline- and diesel-burning engines sourced from the automaker's parts bin. Both rear- and four-wheel drive models will be offered, and buyers will be asked to choose between a six-speed manual transmission and a seven-speed automatic unit.

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Since the last publication of the Gateway News we are proud to announce and **WELCOME** the following new members:

Jose Mathews
John Seger
Thomas and Linda Bogusky
Michael Lynch
Dino Griffin Jr.
Thomas Schaefer
Al Dressing
Stephen Schott
Scott Herzing
John Carter
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Robert Rothbard
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Welcome to the St. Louis Gateway Section of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America. We have over 275 members within a 200-mile radius of St. Louis & invite you to join us at our Events.

The success of our Club depends on the participation of the members to our scheduled activities. Thank you for joining. We look forward to seeing you at our next event.

- The St. Louis Gateway Section Officers & Board Members -

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Mercedes Crash at Goodwood

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Motorsport fans watched in horror on Saturday, March 22, as two classic racing cars, which have been lovingly maintained for decades crashed, into each other while driving around Goodwood circuit.

The unique Mercedes SLS 300 'Porter Special', worth an estimated £4million, which was being driven by F1 and Le Mans legend Jochen Mass, crashed into the back of a Lister-Jaguar Knobbly - thought to be worth around £1million.



The one-of-a-kind 1955 Mercedes - originally made out of aluminum - had been transported to the Sussex racetrack from German collector Dr. Klaus Lahr especially for the Salvadori Cup race. Neither driver was badly injured, although it is feared the repair bill for the two cars will be well in excess of £100,000.



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