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Tour of the new Elliott Museum in Stuart, FL April 13, 2013



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Upcoming Event

Saturday, June 8, 2013
8:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Everything you ever wanted
to know about car detailing

AutoGeek
Stuart, FL

See further info inside



President's Message

The Elliott Museum event on April 13th was a huge success! Our tour guide, Al Simbritz, a retired General Motors sales executive who is quite knowledgeable about cars, was overwhelmed with our turnout. Al kept us informed about all the history of the cars and brought us from steam autos up to today's modern cars. We got to witness the new boomerang robotic systems that brings out one car at a time to spin around on a display right in front of us. And there's a choice of 80 cars to view!!!

From there we rallied over to the Pirates Loft for a luncheon and social meeting with prizes and our MB banner flying high !!! As usual, there was an array of gifts for the drawings and a lot of different items as John Corcia has become the new Gift shopper...

SAVE THE DATE JUNE 8TH !!! The AUTO GEEK DETAILING SEMINAR. I'll let Les give you all the details on that (see further info later in his newsletter) but we will be there from 8:30-12 Saturday morning and then rally to a refreshing luncheon spot after working up a good appetite.

TBA- For those who may not be interested to learn how to properly and expertly detail their car, we are developing an alternate venue and they can come back and pick us up for lunch...

Our 1st coffee "meet and greet" is scheduled for July 13th. Come join our Road Star Section members for an hour or two of conversation about cars, upcoming events, or anything else that interests you.

WE will have three locations to meet and socialize with your fellow members all beginning at 9:00 AM

TOOJAYS - PALM BEACH GARDENS

Downtown at the Gardens
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Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410
Barry Paraizo and John Corcia

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Regency Square
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Stuart, FL 34994
772-287-6514
Paul Rodecki and Vito Cucinelli

TOOJAYS - VERO BEACH

Treasure Coast Plaza
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Vero Beach, FL 32960
772-569-6070
Les Goldman and Jim Parmely

Order from the menu and pay for your own.....

See you all at the June event.

Happy Motoring.

Barry Paraizo

President

Road Star Section, MBCA

Next Road Star Section Event
Saturday, June 8, 2013
Autogeek
7744 SW Jack James Drive
Stuart, FL 34997

Our next event will take place at the “Show Car Garage” of AutoGeek.net located in Stuart, FL. The plan is for everyone to meet at Autogeek at 8:30 AM. We’ll then split up those folks who want to attend the learning “experience” at Autogeek from those who’d prefer to do some serious shopping in downtown Stuart. We’ll all meet up at Duffy’s in downtown Stuart for lunch and a brief business meeting.

For those of you who may not be familiar with Autogeek, they started about 15 years ago and have become a major supplier of just about any auto detailing product or accessory you can think of. They also do a fantastic job of educating anyone who wants to learn more about which products to use and the proper way to make your car look the best that it can. Autogeek Show Car Garage is the place where Autogeek films their detailing videos. These videos are featured on the SPEED channel and you can view their entire video library for helpful tips on everything from polishing to convertible top care ! You can find it all at www.AutoGeek.net.

Our host from Autogeek will be Mike Phillips. Mike has over 33 years of experience in the field of auto detailing and reconditioning and a true passion for automobiles. He has over 250 articles to his credit and he has hosted two full-length instructional videos for Autogeek. Mike has taught countless detailing classes since 1988 and has been a guest speaker at numerous car club events and car shows. Prior to working at Autogeek, Mike worked at Meguiar's as a sales rep/trainer for Oregon, Washington and Northern Idaho training body shop and dealership technicians how to use Meguiar's professional detailing products. Later, he became the online administrator and instructor of Meguiar's detailing classes. In 2009, he joined Autogeek as Director of Training. He’s appeared on Two Guys Garage, Motorhead Garage, My Classic Car, and is the host of Autogeek's “What's in the Garage?” on the Fox Sports Network.

Our 3 - 3 1/2 hour session will include tips and valuable info from Mike on various detailing issues and solutions as well as hands on experience using many detailing products and tools. If you love a clean, shiny car, this session should not be missed.

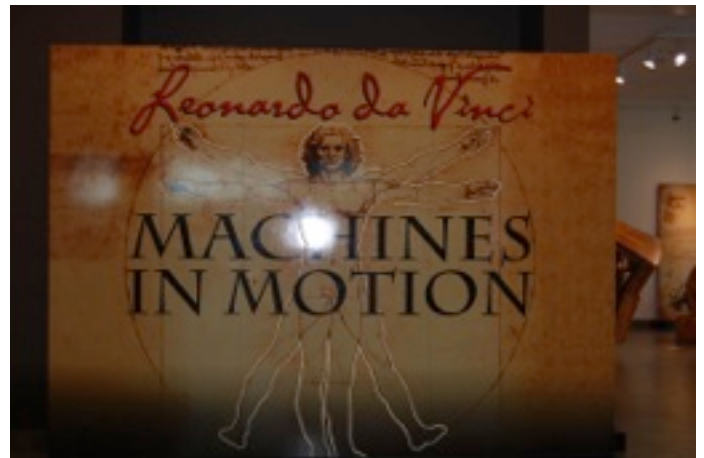


Tour of the new Elliott Museum in Stuart, FL April 13, 2013

On Saturday morning, April 13, 2013, 42 Road Star members met at the new Elliott Museum in Stuart, Florida for a tour of their new facility. After undergoing a \$20 million dollar 'green' re-building, the new 48,000-square-foot Elliott Museum opened on March 3, 2013. The museum has been a Martin County institution for 53 years. Among the many attractions, the most unique is the only automated storage and retrieval system used in a museum to store and display vehicles. The museum has a 3 story storage area that stores all of its antiques autos except those on display on the museum floor. When needed by a visitor for viewing purposes, a robotic cart moves to the storage location, rolls the car onto a moving platform that is brought to the display area where the car is placed on a turn table for display. When needed, the robot carrier retrieves the car and places it back in it's storage location. In addition, the Museum is celebrating its opening with a world-renown exhibit, **Leonardo daVinci: Machines in Motion** – a dramatic hands-on display of forty, full-size machine replicas made directly from Leonardo's innovative designs and drawings. The exhibit debuts the museum's new, 3,000-square-foot "**Changing Exhibition Gallery**" which allows the new Elliott Museum, for the first time, to bring significant, nationally-touring exhibitions to the region. In fact, the opening at the new Elliott Museum represents the first time the exhibit appears anywhere in Florida. The exhibit will run through September.

Our tour was led by Mr. Albert Simbritz, a volunteer coordinator at the Museum, who did an outstanding job of explaining both the history of the exhibits as well as their impact on today's life. Mr. Simbritz is somewhat of a "gearhead" like many of our members and was a former sales executive for many years with the General Motors Corp. which gave him a unique perspective on many of the autos on display, their contributions to technology and growth of the auto industry back in those times. The tour was followed by a lunch at the Pirate's Cove restaurant in Port Salerno where many positive comments about the tour and tour guide were heard against many wishes to "let's do this again". We certainly intend to do so.





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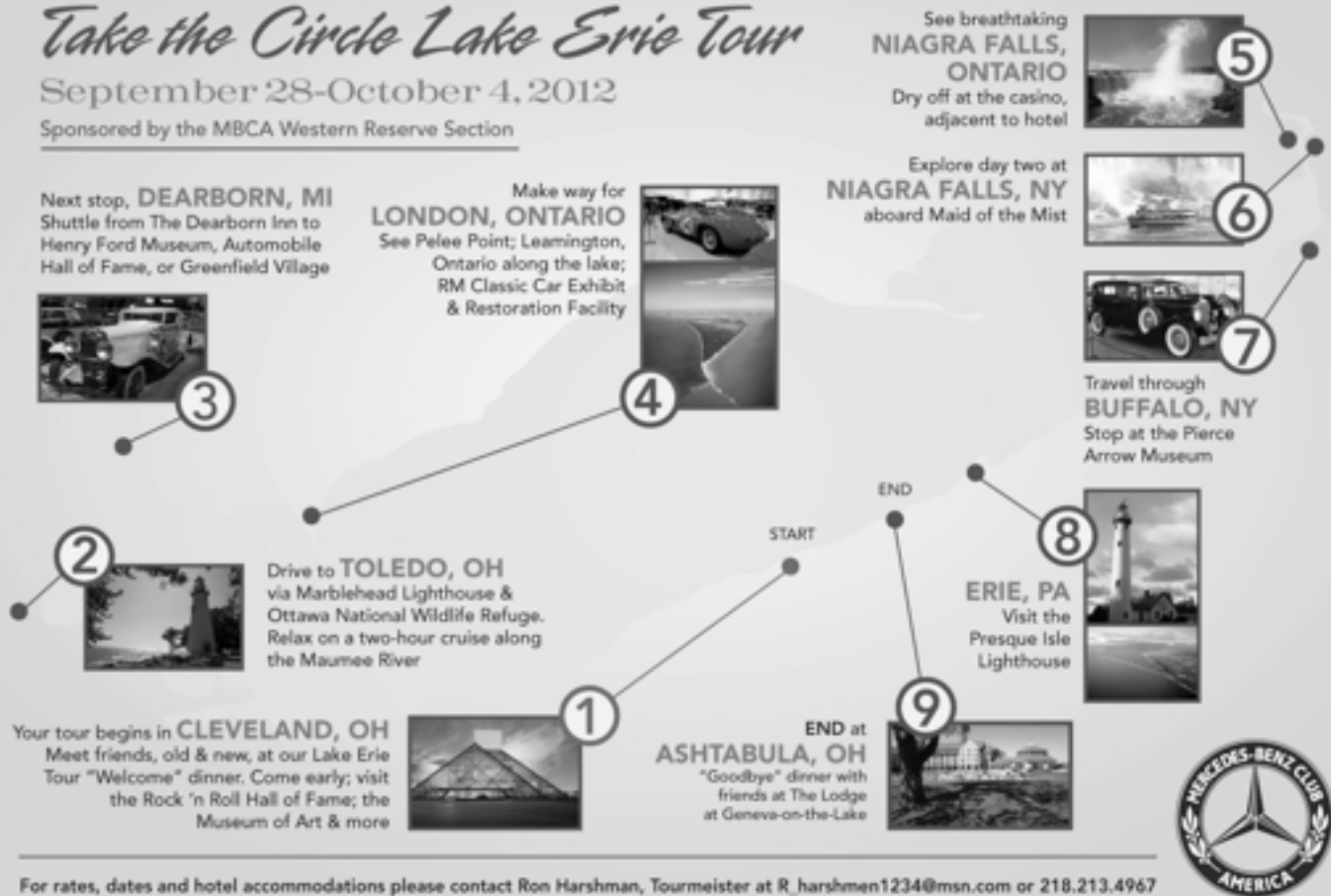
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Spring Raffle, now through June 10: The Spring Raffle grand prize is GINORMOUS! One lucky winner will receive a 2013 Mercedes-Benz SL550 (MSRP is \$105,500) **plus** \$26,000 cash. Raffle ticket sales have been brisk; buy your tickets today and help support MBCA's biggest fundraiser of the year. Click here for a Raffle ticket rules and order form. <http://intl-stars-section-raffle.mbca.org/>

Legends of the Autobahn, August 16: Thanks to its extreme popularity and swelling crowd size — MBCA's Laura Simonds, along with leaders from Audi, Porsche and BMW Car Clubs — are upsizing Legend's location in Monterey, California this year. Join us at the Pasadera Country Club this August for the time of your life! Hundreds of vehicles will be on display for viewing and judging. Register your Mercedes, of any age or model, at www.motorsportreg.com > "August 16" > "MBCA — Legends of the Autobahn" or email Laura Simonds at simondsl@pacbell.com for more information

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