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North Texas Autumn Trials Drive

October 22, 2016
 Greenville & Winnsboro, TX

Our fall drive to Winnsboro will be for the 58th Annual Autumn Trials Event which is an annual month long event for the town. Saturday the 22nd is for Antique Cars that begins with a parade into downtown and then a car show in the city park east of town. They also have three maps that follow the country roads outside of Winnsboro to view the fall leaf colors. It will be a fun day with our club participating in the parade with our Mercedes cars, they will have special parking for us in the downtown area next to the Chamber of Commerce building, lunch will be a short walk to the Lone Republic Steakhouse and Bar. It is a newly completed restaurant renovation with an excellent menu. After the parade and lunch you can visit and view the cars on display at the city park. Those who want to participate in the car show can do so on your own or you can take the side trips outlined on the Autumn Trails map thru the back roads to see the fall scenery. Just remember to bring candy to throw out to the kids on the parade route. This has been a lot of fun for our club in the past; you won't believe all of the cars. The kids on the parade route are the most fun of all.

will include a raffle, dash plaque, and maps for the leaf tours.

Don't worry about not having an antique or classic car they welcome the MB Club participation. For those with convertibles or antique restorations it will be a fun place to show your car and you can practice your special hand wave for the crowd. Put your section magnetic sign on your cars for the event if you have them. I will have them for sale at check-in if you would like to purchase a set.

Call Ron Seifert at 972-886-3008 or email at rseifert@grandecom.net by October 15th if you are attending. Please include the number of folks in your car. We will need a count for the restaurant and for the parking area. We are looking for a great turnout and this time of year should give us great driving weather and a nice day for a fall drive.



Ron and Carolee Seifert will be hosting the event and the schedule follows.

Meet for check-in at 8:00 AM at the QuickTrip gas station at 1400 E. Joe Ramsey Blvd, Greenville, TX. (It is at the southeast corner of HWY 69 and I-30 East in Greenville). If anyone is lost call Ron's cell phone at 972-824-0464.

We will leave at 8:15 AM for Winnsboro. It is a 55-mile drive from Greenville and we form up for the parade in Winnsboro at 10 AM. It is important if we want to stay together to be there on time. We must leave at 8:15 AM!

After the parade we will park our cars in our designated area near the Chamber of Commerce Bldg. We will pass out tour maps for those who want to have some fun on the three back road tours/drives that they have outlined for the autumn trails.

After the lunch, tours and the car show you will be free to return home on your own schedule.

The cost for the event/drive will be \$15 per car, payable at check-in or PayPal, which



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President's Message



Wow, what a year we have had in North Texas; we have new car models introduced (including the fantastic AMG GT-R and E-class), new and improved facilities and new dealers! Club membership continues strong and I expect we will continue to grow.

I have met many of you throughout the years starting with past car corrals at the

State Fair of Texas, the Do It Yourself (DIY) technical sessions at various repair facilities around North Texas or the sponsored George Murphy technical sessions. Over the last several years you may have seen me at our social events including RoughRiders baseball, holiday parties, membership picnics, Day at the Range or Oktoberfest. If we don't have something for everyone we probably come pretty close and we

and we have an incredibly talented membership board and base that challenges with new and exciting events. If you haven't been able to attend I'd suggest you give it a try and find out for yourself.

Brett has promised he isn't going too far away and you'll continue to appreciate his touch as communications chair, a critical function for sure.

Thank you all for your support and in particular our board of directors without whose support I couldn't and wouldn't be serving as your president.

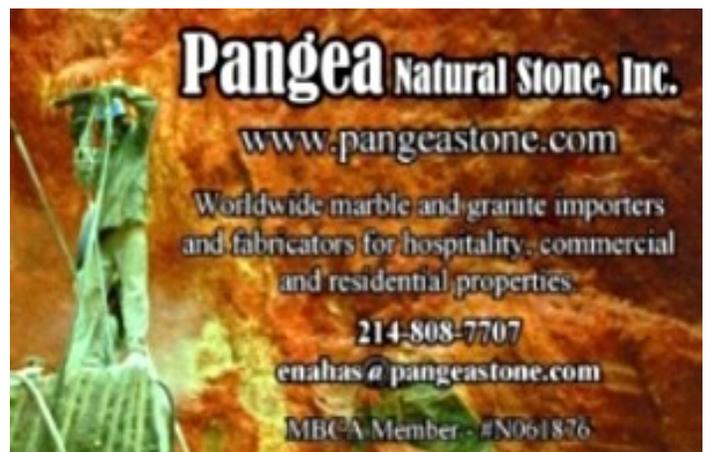
Very sincerely,

Craig Halverson
President, North Texas Section

Welcome!

The North Texas Section of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America (MBCA) is dedicated to enhancing the ownership experience of the finest automobiles in the world. We engage in a variety of activities throughout the year that hopefully appeal to a broad section of our membership.

Currently our membership totals over 1000 members who are committed to furthering their experience and enjoyment of their cars. Whether you're a gear head, performance driver, rally enthusiast, cultural maven or social mingler, the MBCA North Texas Section had an upcoming event for you. Check out the Events section to see what's coming up during the year, and for details on events that are just over the horizon.



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Mercedes-Benz of Plano 2017 E-Class Launch Part-E



versions will be coming out after the first of the year along with coupe and cabriolet versions as well.

The event included awesome hors d'oeuvres, wonderful drinks and really fun A. L. Racing Simulators where you could "drive" on both Laguna Seca and Watkins Glen. All of this in addition to touching and feeling the great new E-Class with the help of very knowledgeable MB Plano Staff. Everyone who tried the racing simulator had a great time.

There were 20 to 30 of our North Texas members in attendance at any time between 6 and 9 pm.

For those who did not attend, we highly recommend attending an MB Plano event in the future. They al-ways put on a great event and so graciously include MBCA members in the celebration.

Mercedes-Benz of Plano was generous enough to extend an invitation to MBCA North Texas Section to their celebration to launch and show off the awesome all-new 2017 E-Class. Currently available as the E300 with both RWD and AWD options. AMG



North Texas Election Results

During September we conducted an election of officers via email and electronic ballot. The slate of officers are recommended by the nominating committee was presented and voted on by our membership.

President – Craig Halverson
Vice President – Brett Jurick
Secretary – Ron Seifert
Treasurer – Gayle Brewer

These officers were confirmed by our membership by unanimous consent! We did not get a single no vote. Definitely a first!

The other Board Members, Committee Chairs and Team Leaders are confirmed through appointment by the Executive Board shown above. Positions are open if anyone would like to volunteer to participate.

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Featured Event

40th Anniversary Membership Appreciation Picnic

Saturday, September 10, 2016 1:00pm

Sandy Lake Park in
Carrollton, Texas



The North Texas Section of MBCA, had our 40th Anniversary Membership Appreciation picnic at Sandy Lake Amusement Park, in Carrollton Texas on September 10, 2016.

It was a glorious beautiful day with the temperature in the balmy 70's, the picnic area was amidst trees, under a covered large seating venue, with a full panoramic view of manicured grass and gorgeous lake. Truly the setting was more than befitting for our gathering. The Clean Car Completion vehicles were placed at the water edge of the lake, facing the venue, which provided picturesque view from any angle or elevation. We lunched on a superb menu of brisket and Ham, there ample desert selections too.

We had our Clean Car Completion, there were twenty three entries of magnificent and loved Benzes. Third place winner was John Hamel (2004 SL600 Renntech), second place went to Duc Lam (2013 SLK 350), and First place Winner was Bill Jackson (1978 280E).

In the Desert Completion, Diane Sanchez place Second with her White Chocolate Angle Cake, and Carolee Seifert won First place with a German Chocolate Cake (Ron's favorite).

This year's event was attended by 80 club members. We also welcomed our youngest new member Christian Williams (2009 C63 AMG), how young? In his "Teens", replacing his friend John Russel Niederer (1998 C43 AMG) who is in his twenties, as the youngest member in the club.

The 50/50 raffle brought in over \$500 with 1/2 of that headed to Scottish Rite Hospital and Samaritan Inn. Bruce Parrott was the luck winner of the other half!

We had truly a great time, I hope you join us next year.



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- Grand prize drawing is Wednesday, December 14, 2016
- For more information and to purchase tickets, visit raffle.mbca.org, call the NBO at 800-637-2360 or check your mailbox for an official mail-in order form



Open to MBCA Members ONLY. Must be 18 years of age or older. No limit on the number of tickets a Member may purchase. The Grand Prize winner will choose an authorized US Mercedes-Benz dealership where a check in the amount of \$98,550 (US) will be delivered. The winner will shop for his/her package at the dealership of their choice. If fewer than 5,255 tickets are sold, the Grand Prize will be one-half (50%) of the gross raffle ticket sales less Federal withholding of 25%, or at least \$5,000 (less withholding), whichever is greater. Vehicle featured in this ad is representative ONLY. Odds of winning depend on total number of tickets sold. MUST be a current Member of MBCA at the time of purchase and day of prize drawing. Members may attend drawing (not required to win). 100% of net raffle proceeds shall be devoted exclusively to the lawful purposes of MBCA International Stars Section. Void where prohibited by law. Michigan raffle licence number R38707.

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Events

Our Classic Center collection is at your disposal.

From Concours d'Elegance to local car-club get-togethers, we strive to share our four-wheeled passion wherever and whenever we can. That's why you'll find us at numerous events throughout the year, ready to answer your questions or to engage in friendly car talk. In addition, our collection of vehicles is available for technical demonstrations, displays, sponsorships, red carpet affairs, film shoots and more to help make your event truly memorable.

October/November

Welcome 30 New Members Between 7/25 - 9/30!

William Adair	Kelly Geeslin	Ronald Lewis	Burt Snover
Charles Baxter	Kevin Hastings	Kathleen McAtee	Don Thomas
Kevin Brand	Mark Ingram	Diane Miles	Lyle Turner
Donovan Brown	Monayi Jacob	Robert Moulton	Suzanne Webb
Daniel Bullard	Jerome James	Ramiro Rangel	Christian Williams
Melinda Busby	Katrina Jemerson King	Krishna Rao	Kathy Woodson
William Dager	Peter John	Brandon Reininger	
Don Derryberry OD	Robert Klasing	Garrett Scharton	

Many Thanks to Our 65 Renewing Members Between 7/25 - 9/30!

Jasmine Adams	Darrin Garza	Robert Milotta	Sarah Titus
Jack Agnew	Jeff Goudreau	Edmundo Molina	David Tompkins
Imad Anabtawi	Robert Grayson	John Moyer	James Trussell
Anil Asher	David Gross	Patrick Murray	Dimitris Tsioutsias
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William Bledsoe	Charles Hatfield	Anita Patel	Veynell Warren
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Dan Bright	April James	Glenda Pinkston	Karen Willenborg
Regina Britton	Allen Jayme	Dennis Post	
Mark Bryant	Tom Kopf	R. Warren Rhodes	
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Miles Casad	Philip Kruse	Dianne Sanchez	
Mary Chumbley	Thomas Lawhon	Holly Scimeca	
Martin Coleman	Taehyun Lee	David Sheets	
Annette Engel	Steven Lewis	Michele Sherman	
Richard Fijolek	Charles Locke	H E Smith	
Carl Fiorletta	Jerard Martin	Richard Szelc	
Eurico Francisco	Stanley McDaniel	Jean Thompson	
James French	William Mccarthy	Abdul Tijani	



October/November

DIY Tech Session – Mercedes-Benz of Plano

Saturday September 24, 2016



20 Members signed up for our first Tech Session at the new facilities of Mercedes of Plano. Tim Cook, our gracious host had three of his techs: Robert, Drew and Jamie on hand to coach our members through any "sticking points" they ran into completing their respective tasks.

The facilities are very impressive and very much in keeping with a theme like all the Mercedes dealerships in the metroplex. We, as a club are grateful and appreciative of our hosts Tom Cook and Jeff Gaeden and we should also mention the great folks at Mercedes of Plano for their welcome to our North Texas Section for a morning in their "Garage -mahal"!

Many of the "usual suspects" were in attendance along with a number of new faces. We welcome all our members to attend these events and encourage new members to attend also.

A number of members took advantage of having lifts available to do "once over" inspections to make sure all was in order and to determine what may need attention in the near future. Others attended to regularly schedule maintenance along the order of changing fluids and filters.



Tom Strom replaced a radiator; Marcus Vasquez replaced a pair of rear shocks. Todd Carver replaced a safety switch and an oil change, Wilson Street, an oil change and motor mount. Dane Crocker replaced a crankshaft sensor and an oil change. Ed Talens succeeded in extracting a cruise control amplifier in order to ship off for a rebuild.

There were fresh kolaches of various flavors and fresh coffee for refreshments. In general, much was accomplished and all had a good time.



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Help!

Calling All Members...

We are always looking for new folks who are interested in participating in Club activities. Whether through events, driving, etc. Please contact Brett Jurick at bjurick@tx.rr.com to learn more.

New Ideas Wanted

We're always looking for new ideas for events, get-togethers, drives, overnight tours, etc. If there's a particular type of event you would like us to host, let us know. Contact Jose De La Garza at josedelagarza@yahoo.com.

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Date	Event
October 6, 2016	MBCA NTX Oktoberfest—Bavarian Grill, Plano
October 29, 2016	Autumn Trails Drive, Winnsboro
November 5, 2016	November Membership Meeting or DIY Tech Session
November 12, 2016	MBCA NTX Ladies drive to Waco
December 3, 2016	December Membership Meeting
December 17, 2016	MBCA NTX 40th Anniversary Christmas Party

Event dates, times and locations are subject to change. Please check out our website at <http://ntx.mbca.org> for the most updated information.