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Welcome, New Members

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Upcoming Events

Aug 16-17-18: Tour to Victoria B.C. and Butchart Gardens

Sept. 13-15: Oregon Festival of Cars, Bend, OR

Sept. 28: Fall Car Care at Sidedraught City, 10AM-Noon

Oct. 12: Wine Country drive to Abbey Road Farm, 10:30AM

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Oregon Festival of Cars Sept. 13-15



Started 18 years ago, the Oregon Festival of Cars has become a must-do annual event for an increasing number of car enthusiasts. In 2013 the Festival of Cars will be held at the beautiful Broken Top Club golf course in Bend, Oregon. Hundreds of enthusiast cars are expected to participate in this fantastic event. During its 18-year history, the festival has developed a unique atmosphere of being relaxed and fun with participants being able to get to know other like-minded enthusiasts.

This year the festival is celebrating many wonderful anniversaries of some of our favorite marques... the 50th for Porsche 911 and Lamborghini, the 60th anniversary for Corvette and the 100th for Aston Martin. **Mercedes-Benz Club members** are invited to participate in the full weekend, or just the Saturday Festival Car Show.

Registration Details:

- Full registration package includes Friday no-host reception, Saturday Car show, Saturday night banquet, Sunday Dash, Sunday lunch, and participant gift: \$200 before Aug 15th / \$225 after Aug 15th
- Festival Display Only: \$50 before Aug 15th / \$60 after Aug 15th.

Register at www.oregonfestivalofcars.com

Next Event: Winter Car Care at Sidedraught City

Place: Sidedraught City, 1001 SE Main St., Portland, OR 97214

Date: Sept. 28th

Time: 10:00AM to Noon

Cost: None

Registration: RSVP to Stacy Rollins at stacy@stacyrollins.com or (503) 645-0675.

President's Message

I attended the Mercedes and BMW Club Drive-In movie event on August 3rd. We had a great turnout with several Mercedes-Benz and BMWs in attendance. I met a few of our newer members, and saw some familiar faces.



I brought my family in our 2005 E500 Wagon. We opened the rear hatch and the kids watched 'Despicable Me 2' from the jump seats. On a warm summer evening, it was fun to sit outside and watch a movie. The last time I was at a Drive-In was at the old Beaverton Drive-In over 20 years ago. There are not many drive-ins left in the United States; I encourage you to attend a movie in your Mercedes at Newberg's 99W Drive-In during the remaining weeks we have left of summer.

At our last MBCA Portland Section board meeting, we planned new events for this fall that I know our members will appreciate. Board Member Stacy Rollins is planning a Winter Car Care event at Sidedraught City on September 28th. Sidedraught City is Portland's dealer for Griot's Garage products, and this event will be very informative.

In October, we are planning a Poker Rally and drive through Oregon Wine Country to a picnic at Abbey Road Farm in Carlton. I am a fan of driving our cars instead of talking about cars, so I am excited about this event. We will tour to Carlton, and along the way will be handed playing cards at various checkpoints. At the end, the car with the best hand will win a great prize courtesy of Mercedes-Benz USA. The destination for our rally is Abbey Road Farm, a bed and breakfast located near Carlton. Abbey Road was part of the Forest Grove Concours Vineyard Tour, and they offer an amazing view and relaxed atmosphere for our tour.

Later in the fall, the Portland Section will get an introduction to the 2014 Mercedes-Benz CLA at a exclusive MBCA Member Event. We are in the planning stages for this event so look for more details in the September newsletter.

Mercedes-Benz of Beaverton is now offering a 15% discount on parts and service to MBCA members. You must show your club card at time of service. This is a huge benefit for our members, and I hope many of you will take advantage of this. Mercedes-Benz of Beaverton was the presenting sponsor at the Forest Grove Concours, and they are focused on building relationships with MBCA members. I encourage you to stop in and see them soon.

If you attended the Pebble Beach Concours or other classic car events in Monterey during August, please share your photos and stories in the Northwestern Star! We can use your content to share with our members. I will be judging at Legends of the Autobahn, and assisting with car placement. If you are there, stop by and say hi!



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Winter Car Care at Sidedraught City Sept. 28th

Get your Mercedes-Benz ready for winter at a special Portland Section member event dedicated to car care on September 28th from 10AM to Noon. Sidedraught City is a car care shop located in SE Portland, and they are Portland's exclusive dealer for Griot's Garage products.

Neil d'Autremont, the owner of Sidedraught City, will cover many topics including preparing your car for winter, windshield and window glass, headlight cleaning, interior, and paint and body cleaning and protection.

Portland Section members in attendance will be entered into a raffle for \$75 in Griot's Garage products. As a special bonus, we will start the grill and bar-b-que hot dogs and burgers for Portland Section members. Come and join the party on September 28th!



A 250SL at Sidedraught City

RSVP for this event by contacting Stacy Rollins at stacy@stacyrollins.com or (503) 645-0675.

Sidedraught City is located at 1001 SE Main Street, Portland, OR 97214. They are two blocks north of Hawthorne Blvd.

The CLA is Coming! Drive It This Fall in Portland

With the launch of the 2014 CLA-Class, Mercedes-Benz is redefining the compact luxury car segment. Similar to the 190 'Baby Benz' in the mid eighties, the CLA will bring a new, younger generation of buyer into Mercedes showrooms.

Portland Section members will have a chance to see and drive the new CLA class at an exclusive dealer event coming up this fall. We are working on the details, see the September Northwestern Star for more information.

Mercedes-Benz has launched a marketing campaign for the CLA on the internet. On the photo sharing site Instagram, Mercedes hired photographers across in the USA to shoot the CLA in local settings. Portland Section member Ernie Brawley allowed his classic 300SL to be photographed with the new CLA. The image on the right received 1,874 'likes'. The photographer with the most 'likes' wins a new CLA at <http://instagram.com/mbusa>



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Board Meeting Sept. 7th

The next Portland Section Board Meeting is Sept. 7th, at 10AM at **Mercedes-Benz of Wilsonville** located at 25035 SW Parkway Ave., Wilsonville, 97070. We invite all members to attend a board meeting to provide suggestions on how we can improve the club and provide ideas for upcoming events.

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Wine Country Tour and Poker Rally October 12th



Join the Portland Section for a scenic drive through Oregon wine country to a picnic and wine tasting at Abbey Road Farm. This will be your chance to bring your Mercedes-Benz out in the glorious fall weather, exercise your car before the rains arrive, and taste some of the finest Pinot Noir in Oregon.

We will meet at the Whole Foods Market on Bridgeport Road in Tigard at 10:30AM. Participants can pick up coffee and picnic items for the lunch later in the day. Maps will be provided that indicate the route and each checkpoint along the way.

We will depart Whole Foods about 10:45 for a scenic drive into Oregon Wine Country, following 99W, then climbing into the countryside and twisty roads north of Newberg. At each check point, participants will draw a playing card.

Our group will arrive at Abbey Road Farm, a lovely Bed & Breakfast & wine tasting facility near Carlton. Abbey Road was the destination of the Forest Grove Concours Vineyard tour, and I am confident our members will like this location.

Wine tasting will be provided by Joe Dobbs of Wine by Joe (this wine is available at most grocery stores and is excellent). Joe is a Mercedes owner and enthusiast and may bring his pristine 280SL. At Abbey Road, the car with the best poker hand will win a wonderful prize, courtesy of Mercedes-Benz USA. There will also be prizes for oldest car, furthest driven, and a special trophy for the newest member of the Portland Section.

Cost for this event is \$10 per car. To register, contact Allen Stephens at allen.c.stephens@gmail.com or 503-708-0397. Join us for a fun event on Oct. 12th!

-Allen Stephens



Above: The picnic area at Abbey Road Farm is a perfect location for the conclusion of our Poker Rally.

Above Left: Bill & Pat Lindquist enter Abbey Road Farm during the Forest Grove Concours Vineyard Tour.

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Forest Grove Concours honors 50 Years of W113



The 41st Forest Grove Concours d'Elegance on Sunday, July 21st raised the bar a few notches this year with a stunning display of American Royalty, along with a celebration of 50 Years of the W113 Pagoda SL, 50 Years of the Porsche 911 and 60 Years of the Corvette.

The Mercedes-Benz Club of America, Portland Section, participated in the Concours with a MCBA Display class, featuring several very nice examples including a 1970 280SL owned by Don Laird and Frost Lee, a 190SL owned by Bill Klausman and a SL500 owned by MBCA members Robert and Teresa Unfug from Ft. Collins, Colorado.

In the Judged Class of Mercedes-Benz, there were many fine cars including a 1963 Mercedes-Benz 300SL roadster displayed by Garry & Victoria Peters from West Vancouver, B.C. Rufus Aylwin displayed a 1963 300SE, and Walt Tabrum showed his 1960 220SE Coupe. The 1963 300SL was awarded Best in Class, along with a trophy for Best Open Car. Second Place was awarded to Luis Pacheco's time warp low-mile 1970 300SEL 6.3 (with luggage set), and Third Place was awarded to the 1960 190SL owned by Ernie Brawley.

2013 marks the 50th anniversary of the W113 Pagoda SL. They were honored at Forest Grove with a special class featuring five excellent W113 SLs. The cars on display were a 1965 230SL owned by Michael Hoevet and Sara Linder, a 1967 250SL owned by Brown Maloney, a 1968 280SL owned by Bill and Pat Lindquist, a 1969 280SL owned by Gerry and Bridget Holzapple, and a 1971 280SL owned by Ed and Viki Waite. A 1967 230SL owned by Henry Veldman was scheduled to be shown, however the



Above: Brown Maloney's daughters accept the trophy for Best in the W113 SL Class from emcee Donald Osborne at the Forest Grove Concours d'Elegance.

car had a minor accident in the owner's driveway in the week prior to the event. Henry sportingly brought the car on the Saturday Vineyard tour with a creased fender for all to see, but withdrew from the Concours.

Pete Lesler, MBCA National Concours Chairman, led the judging of the W113 Class. Best in Class was awarded to Brown Maloney for his 1967 250SL, and he also took home a trophy for Best Original car. Second Place was awarded to the 1969 280SL owned by Gerry and Bridget Holzapple, and Portland Section members Bill and Pat Lindquist took home Third Place with their gorgeous red 280SL. Each owner was presented with a plaque commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the W113SL at the Forest Grove Concours.

When you think of American Royalty, one make of car comes to mind -- Duesenberg. Best in Show was awarded to Tom and Susan Armstrong's 1931 Duesenberg SJ. This black beauty was shown at the Allure of the Automobile exhibit at the Portland Art Museum in 2011, and is one of the finest Duesenbergs in the world. -Allen Stephens

Fantastic Cars at F.G. Concours and Vineyard Tour



Above: The 1963 300SL roadster owned by Garry and Victoria Peters took home Best in Class for Mercedes-Benz through 1971.



Above: Tom Armstrong is presented the Best in Show trophy for his '31 Duesenberg by Emcee Donald Osborne, Senior Judge Ken Gross and Emcee Keith Martin.




Above: Presenting sponsor Mercedes-Benz of Beaverton displayed a 2013 CLS-550, a 2014 E350 and a 2013 E300 at Forest Grove.



Left: Gerry and Bridgette Holzapple arrive at Abbey Road Farm in their pristine 1969 280SL during the Concours Vineyard Tour.

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We have secured great hotel rates from Pinnacle hotels for both North Vancouver and Whistler for all our guests, please use the group rate codes listed below when making your reservations to obtain the discounts.

Once we arrive in Whistler we have a beautiful place at the Olympic plaza for a few hours of "Show and Shine" before we retire to our hotels. A location is being worked on to knock those few bugs we may find in the grilles off as well.

We will meet for dinner at one of wonderful eateries in Whistler to break bread and share stories of our travels and the Mercedes we are proud to love.

Sunday we can meet for breakfast, or brunch as the case may be, then make our way to our next destinations



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Nov TBD: CLA Introduction to Portland Section Members

Nov 16th: Board Meeting, Mercedes-Benz of Portland, 10AM.

Nov 16th: Annual General Meeting, Sayler's Old Country Kitchen, 6PM

Dec TBD

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