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Welcome, New Members

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+ 16 renewing members

Upcoming Events

Apr 14 Upholstery Workshop

Apr 21 Tulip Rally Tour

May 12 Board Meeting

May 5 Tour to Evergreen

June 23 Brown Maloney Tour

Jul 2 Winery tour

Jul 7, 8 Historic Races

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*May 5th tour of the Evergreen
Aviation & Space Museum*

Come Fly with Me...



Let's see: There's the Spruce Goose, a Lunar Rover, an Apollo Command Module, a water park, an IMAX theater—there's even a 1903 Wright Flyer. An astonishing and prodigious resource.

On May 5th, the Portland Section will join the Portland BMW Club for a drive to the Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum in McMinnville. We'll meet at Cars & Coffee around 9:00 AM, do our best to one-up the Bimmers with our extraordinary display of Mercedes-Benz automobiles, then all shake hands in mutual regard and at 10:00 head out to the museum. We'll follow back roads and park on the grass in front of the museum for all who travel Highway 18 to admire.

Cars and Coffee is a weekly, informal event held in the parking lot behind Starbucks at the Carman Drive exit (291) on Interstate 5. There's no charge for either Cars & Coffee or the tour, but you will have to pay for the museum tickets, should you choose to enter.

The drive should take about two hours. Once we arrive we're on our own to see the museum, watch a movie, take a splash in the water park, or drive back home if that's what we want.

The museum's website is at <http://www.evergreenmuseum.org>.



Next Event: Upholstery Workshop

Place: Automobile Tops and Interiors

Date: Saturday, April 14

Time: 10:00 AM

Cost: none

Details on page 3; full Events Calendar on page 12

President's Message

I've decided to complete the restoration on the interior on my '67 250SL. I had the seats recovered and a new carpet kit installed last year — but the door panels, dash cover, and soft top cover need to be restored to match the seats. I've wondered if I can re-dye these areas to match, or if I need to purchase new panels and materials. It's great timing that our April event will be a tech session on auto upholstery at Lynn Gibner's workshop (see story on next page). Lynn has been doing this work for many years, and is inviting the Portland Section to his shop to learn some of the tricks of the trade. He and event chair Ron Woodruff will cover tips on removing door panels, color matching, hole patching in leather, how to repair a Mercedes steering wheel, and perhaps sewing tricks. I'll be there with the rest of you getting the knowledge on interior restoration. We will also have a table with rare books on Mercedes-Benz history and workshop manuals. Coffee and breakfast snacks will be provided. I hope to see you there.



The planning for the Forest Grove Concours is in full swing. As many of you know, Mercedes-Benz is the featured marque this year. We just received word that



Bruce McCaw will display his LeMans-winning 1952 W194 competition 'gullwing' coupe (above). This auto-

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Give me your tired, your poor ...


Upholstery Workshop

Snag in the carpet? Worn spot on the armrest? Is that old plastic steering wheel starting to crack? Worried how you'll ever match that interior color?

Fear no more. The workshop at Lynn Gibner's upholstery shop April 14 will reveal these secrets and more in pursuit of a perfect interior. Expect to see a color matching demo, a hole-patching procedure, a steering-wheel repair, and—you won't find this in any other upholstery shop—the proper etiquette for eating donuts and drinking coffee.



Plan to be at Automobile Tops and Interiors at 10:00 AM Saturday, April 14th for the Portland Section's upholstery workshop. The shop is located at 7933 NE Alberta. Get there by traveling NE 82nd Avenue and turning west onto Alberta.

Oh, and about the donuts and coffee: they will be served inside the *shop*, not inside your car... 

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If your address has changed, visit www.mbca.org, click on MEMBERSHIP, then click on ADDRESS CHANGE and complete the form. Or, call 1-800-637-2360 and talk to anyone at the MBCA National Business Office.

"President," from page 2

mobile, chassis #07, was the first of the second group of Type 194 cars constructed, and was completed in late spring of 1952 for use in the LeMans race for that year. On the weekend of June 14th and 15th 1952, with the team of Hermann Lang and Fritz Reiss driving, chassis #07 won the LeMans race, the first German car ever to achieve this result. For the subsequent Nurburgring race, the car was modified into roadster configuration where it also finished 1st overall, again with Hermann Lang driving. The car was later shipped to Mexico where it served as a practice and PR car for the Carrera Panamerica. The W194 will be the centerpiece of the Mercedes-Benz display, and will be featured on the Concours event poster.

Additionally, there will be the Evening of Elegance Dinner, the traditional Saturday night event prior to the Concours, and a tour of the Tualatin Valley, including a winery tour.

The Concours is an MBCA regional event, and all MBCA members are invited to enter their Mercedes for judging or display.

Details at <http://www.forestgroveconcours.org/>.



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NASCAR and the GoDaddy Girls

Now I've done it. No doubt I've alienated Mercedes owners worldwide, especially those in the Portland Section of the MBCA. I am, after all, the newsletter editor and something of a figurehead – the power of the press being what it is and all. And now I've purchased tickets to my first NASCAR race.

The shame.

When it comes to racing, Mercedes' historical choice has been Formula One, so that should be my choice as well. But I like to see cars passing each other. And bodies that don't look like something Lockheed-Martin built for NASA. And drivers that say "howdy, y'all," rather than "*fou-moi le camp!*" And wrecks. Mustn't forget wrecks. Besides, NASCAR is just down the road, in Sonoma (Sears Point – a road course!), where a wife like Louise can run off to savor the nose of a Vintner's Reserve while I wallow in the aroma of burning castor oil.

Well, maybe not. They use synthetics nowadays. But who can resist the sound of a V-8 the size of a Smart car at 9,000 RPM? Love taps at 200 mph? Salty language with a Southern accent? Formula One has

Bernie Ecclestone; NASCAR has GoDaddy Girls. There really is no comparison.

But enough of that: If you don't relish driving six hundred miles to see NASCAR, or if Formula One is your groove, then join me July 6th through July 8th for the Historic Races at PIR. This year, rumor has it there will be a few historic Formula One cars in attendance, none looking like something Lockheed-Martin built for NASA. (Gurney's Eagle T1G would be nice...)



There's a bargain to be found in the registration form below. For \$45, you receive two three-day tickets, a car-corral pass, a spot in the parade lap, and a dash plaque. Assuming the Portland Section is able to meet the four-car minimum, we'll even have our own corral. (I e-mailed the Blonde in a Benz, asking if she was willing to staff our corral in short shorts and bare midriff, and received a response that can't be printed here. Briefly stated, the answer was "no.")

The deadline for entries is June 1, but club historian Jim Thompson needs to process our applications before that, so complete the form below now, and don't forget to include your e-mail address.

— Tom Lichty

YES!! I want to participate in the Mercedes-Benz Club Corral at the Portland Historic Races

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Resentful, Angry, Illiterate, and Shallow

Time to put the top down! I have loved convertibles ever since my dad brought home a used 1958 Impala ragtop, white with red fins, and showed the Blonde the joy of streaking around with the air in her hair, waving at the masses. In time, I got to drive that car myself and I felt like Ali McGraw (*Hey there, preppy...*), which is to say, insanely cool. Once I got out of the car, I went back to being a nerdy chubby myopic pimply clueless teenager. It couldn't be more clear. Convertibles make magic.

Three convertibles later, I still swear that top-down convertibles make errands into adventures, and every road trip into a spin on the Grande Corniche, especially when driving involves overhead scenery, from mountains to rock formations to birds to stars. It is like being in a parade all the time.

To me, convertibles are so vastly superior in every way that I wonder why everybody doesn't drive them. Some people *hate* them. Trying to get my finger on the pulse of this odd emotion, I checked out one of those websites where people with nothing to do sound off about such things. (And to all of you...*get a life!*)

So here is why people hate convertibles:

- The roof ruins the line of the car.
- They leak.
- They look "girly."
- They make too many rattly noises.
- Their cowls shake (whatever that is).
- They do bad things to your hair.

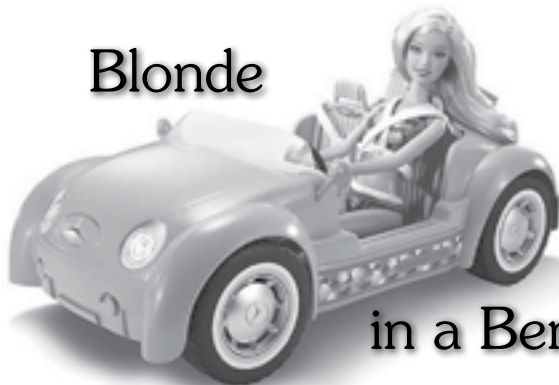
Some people don't know why; they just hate convertibles on general principles. Or they "f...kin" hate them. But with the adverb misspelled. "Because they're everywhere." (Also misspelled.) And not too many could spell the word "convertible," either. Buzzkills, all.

The Blonde resists being judgmental, but she must conclude that people who hate convertibles are resentful, angry, illiterate, and shallow. (This refers to the hair issue. Get a hat! Carry a brush!)

It is true that the Blonde's previous convertible, a purple Turbo PT Cruiser (*Come now: must you admit that? Think of our credibility! – Ed.*) was not as pretty as its

cousin, the coupe, but when you're *inside* the car, what difference does that make? When the wind is rushing past your ears, what do you care about rattles? And a convertible may be a girly car, but why is it that when a man is driving one he becomes better looking? Especially if he's driving a Benz. Ever noticed that?

So, while the Blonde can be open-minded about some issues, this is not one of them. I'm convinced that people who hate convertibles have never owned one. If a car can't go topless, it's not coming home with me. Period.



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News Briefs

Concours Update — Sixty years of the Mercedes-Benz SL will be on display at the 40th Forest Grove Concours d'Elegance on Sunday July 15th. From the iconic 1952 300SL 'Gullwing' coupe that won at Le



The 1952 300SL coupe entered by Bruce and Jolene McCaw is the honored centerpiece.

Mans, to the all-new 2013 Mercedes-Benz SL550, this event will feature the shining stars of Mercedes history. As an MBCA Northwest Regional event, club members are invited to enter their Mercedes for judging, or for display in the MBCA Display class. Entrants in the display class are not judged. Judged classes for Mercedes-Benz include Pre-War cars to 1945, early post-war to 1960, post-war from 1961 to 1971, and Mercedes-Benz SLs. MBCA National Concours Chairman Pete Lesler will serve as Senior Judge.

Group Tours of Germany — July 16-22 & September 24-30 VIP destinations, accommodations and five-star cuisine. No worries, just "WOW!" on this command-performance excursion for MBCA members, their families and friends. Contact "Tourleiter" Jim O'Sullivan at 617.879.0017 or jimo55@comcast.net

New name for Sunriver Festival of Cars — John Draneas, the Event Chairman for the popular event held in Sunriver for the past seventeen years, has announced a change in venue. Beginning this year, the event will be moved to the Les Schwab Amphitheater in Bend's Old Mill District, a section of old Bend just south of downtown which borders the Deschutes River. This is a larger, more convenient location.



The name of the event has also been changed to reflect the departure from the Sunriver location. The new name is "Oregon Festival of Cars" and is scheduled for September 14 to 16, with the main show on Saturday the 15th.

Registration is available with a new discount schedule for early registrations. All the details are at www.oregonfestivalofcars.com.

From the National Office — A second section membership is the way to go. For an annual fee of only \$15, you may join a second section and still belong to your home section.

The benefits of this type of membership include the opportunity to attend the events of two sections, make new acquaintances, and form new friendships. You'll receive newsletters from both sections, and the Star from your home section.

The second section benefits as it receives an \$11 rebate of the \$15 fee.

Contact the National Business Office to join at 1-800-637-2360.



Winery Tour June 2nd

Nancy and Greg Buechler have announced a winery tour for members of MBCA on Saturday, June 2nd. Greg writes: "The destination will be Orchard Heights Winery in Salem. We will meet in the cul-de-sac adjacent to Mercedes-Benz of Wilsonville at about 9:30 on Saturday, June 2nd. Nancy and I will provide driving directions, and we will depart at 10:00.



"This location is easy to find, and avoids disturbing business operations at the dealership. The tasting itself will be a private group tasting, and there will be cheese, crackers, and fruit to accompany the wines. We'll charge \$7 per person for this, and I will pay for everyone on one ticket at the winery.



"The drive will wind through Clackamas and Marion counties along the way, avoiding the freeway for most of the trip. We expect the drive itself to take an hour and a half, and the tasting probably another hour. If participants want lunch afterwards, there is a cafe on site that is suitable for that or other choices in Salem just a few minutes back to the east. Participants should get in touch with me to reserve a spot."

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Around the Northwest

Skagit Valley Tulip Festival — This year, the MBCA Portland Section joins the MG Club for its 31st Annual Tulip Rally.

Check-in begins at 8:00 AM, Saturday, April 21st at the Cascade Mall, Exit 230 off Interstate 5 near Anacortes in Washington State.

Pre-registration will close on April 16th. Any entries received after that date will be considered day-of. Pre-registration is \$12 per car; day-of registration is \$15.

To register, include your name, mailing address, e-mail address, year and model Mercedes, and mention of the Portland Section of MBCA. Include the appropriate registration fee. Make checks payable to MGCCNWC and mail everything to Tulip Rally, c/o David Ellis, 1521 Eagle Ridge Drive S., Renton, WA 98055. Your completed registration materials will be awaiting you at check-in.

For more information call David Ellis at 425-277-1086 or 425-691-0444 (cell, day-of).

Brown Maloney Collection Tour — Plan now to join us Saturday, June 23 for a day of classic Mercedes-Benz automobiles, driving on interesting roads, and enjoying a casual meal. We will meet the Seattle Section near Port Gamble, WA for a leisurely Olympic Peninsula drive to Sequim for a picnic BBQ at Sara and

Brown Maloney's home. After lunch, we will tour the garages and hear a bit about the history, heritage, and enjoyment of their collection of classic automobiles and motorcycles. Brown started his collection with Mercedes-Benz examples and has included other makes as the display expanded. It is a real treat to see the half dozen MBs, the several garages filled with rare and unique vehicles, and the extensive motorcycle lineup.

If you have questions before May please contact David Glass, 425-869-6706, or davidr.glass@att.net.



Questions? Call Allen Stephens at 503.708.0397 or the National Business Office at 800.637.2360 M-F, 8am-5pm MT. Or visit www.mbc.org.

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Ads run for one issue and are placed free of charge for MBCA members. Non-club members are charged \$10 per ad, \$20 with a picture. The submission deadline is the 15th of the month.

You may place an ad by contacting the editor.

2006 SL55 AMG Black / Grey, 33k miles, extremely clean condition, 493hp, ABC suspension, Pano Roof, body panels are all straight with no imperfections, immaculate. \$42,495. More photos at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/20823381@N08/sets/72157627794491844/>

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The car comes with extensive set of documentation and I have created a large photo gallery for further examination: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/20823381@N08/sets/72157627431167467/>

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1988 560SL Well kept from new with original books, tools, datacard, correct extra keys, spare, etc.

Mechanical features operate as they should and the car drives beautifully. Interior all intact and original as should be, including dash, carpets, leather, wood, and trunk compartment.

Probably a obsessive-compulsive owner. Far from average. \$14,000. Rick 503-635-9494.



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Portland Section Schedule of Events

April 14: The Art and Science of Auto Upholstery, tour of Lynn Gibner's shop at 7933 NE Alberta. 10 AM. Story on page 3.

April 21: Rally to Skagit County Tulip Festival in Mount Vernon, WA with MG Club. See story, page 10.

May 5: Tour to Evergreen Air Museum with the BMW Club. See story, page 1.

June 2: Driving event to the Orchard Heights Winery. Details on page 9.

June 23: Join the Seattle Section for a drive to Car Collector Brown Maloney's in Sequim, Washington. Story, page 10.

July 7, 8: Mercedes Club Corral at Portland Historic Races. See story and signup, page 4.

July 15: Concours d'Elegance in Forest Grove. Mercedes-Benz is the featured brand. See pages 2 & 8.

August 12: Regional Show and Shine in Seattle.

August 17: Legends of the Autobahn. See ad on page 11. Also see story in March issue.

Sept 15: Oregon Festival of Cars, Les Schwab Amphitheater in Bend. See story, page 8.

Sept 28–Oct 3: Starfest 2012 in Phoenix. A three-day, two-night "StarTrip" from the Bay Area to Phoenix is planned, including stops at two car collections. See ad on page 3; story in March issue.

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