



Holiday Party & Anniversary Recognition

December 4, 2016

By Debbie Ichiyama



The holidays are here! Remember the 4th of December at noon because the Desert Stars Annual Holiday Party - with the always-important Member Anniversary recognition celebration – is on! We will reflect back on 2016 and spend time with friends and fellow members and welcome in the spirit of the holidays.

Zoran Klisara is again opening up his restaurant, Tommy V's Urban Kitchen and Bar, exclusively for us. We will have the whole place in the heart of Old Town Scottsdale to ourselves, with our own parking lot right in front of the restaurant. There is no need to hunt for parking spaces. We will enjoy our own private bartender and a specialized menu for our enjoyment.

Afterwards, the location of the restaurant is perfectly suited for an afternoon of holiday shopping. Nearby are all of the local Western and Arizona themed stores for you to pick up a gift or two for friends and family.

Anniversary celebrants (see page 13 for your name!) must attend to receive your recognition pins (or you need a really good excuse for not being there!) So we want to see you! Oh, don't forget we are collecting for Toys for Tots so please bring an un-wrapped gift! Please see Registration forms for details. Make this holiday season a special one by joining your friends in the Desert Stars Mercedes-Benz club.

For registration information please contact Debbie Ichiyama at 480-268-9535 or contact by email at dichiyama@me.com.

Sunday December 4th at 12:00 "noon" · Tommy V's Urban Kitchen and Bar



Mercedes-Benz Enthusiasts Dinner

Sunday, January 22, 2017

By John and Roberta Phin

We are again celebrating auction week in the valley by coming together for the MB Enthusiast dinner at Maggiano's Little Italy; and we are planning to build on the success of last several years' venue and program. We will again have a beautiful



private dining "room with a view" at Maggiano's and Schumacher European, Ltd. will bring new Mercedes Benz for us to explore and have representatives on hand to answer members' questions. We will also feature an expanded display of member's exemplar cars and will award a "People's Choice" prize at dinner. Again this year we will be reaching out to other MBCA regions to include other members who are here for the auctions and the fun!

This year our Mercedes-Benz Enthusiasts Dinner will be on SUNDAY, Jan 22, 2017. The event at Maggiano's Little Italy, 16405 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, AZ features a family style dinner, and after awarding the winner of

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President's Message

By Debbie Ichiyama

After four and a half years as Activity Directors, John and Roberta Phin have decided to step down from their role as Activities & Events Chair-people. I want to personally thank them for all their hard work and dedication planning and organizing Desert Stars events. When we attend events, we often don't think of what it takes to put on an event. John and Roberta always put a lot of



effort into the events they organized. From calendaring the events, to scouting and negotiating with the venues, they would also send out announcements, arrange manpower and track the attendance... Whew, it's a lot of work that the Phin's have skillfully and graciously executed for all of us and we have been spoiled by them. John and Roberta did this work month in and month out and we want to thank them for it.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Holiday Season. Enjoy the time with your family and friends, and I hope to see you at the Holiday Party on December 4th.

Update your email address with The National Business Office

Contact our Membership Chair, Debbie Ichiyama, at 480-268-9535 or dichiyama@me.com

Debbie

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Annual Poker Run

Saturday, February 25, 2017

By Harman and Susan Cadis

Get ready for some fun Poker Action! Don't worry you don't need to bet or bluff your way to the winners circle. Just enjoy the day driving to interesting places and eating goodies along the way with your friends in Desert Stars.

This year we have a great event planned – Interesting cars to see, great locations to explore starting at a Valley Mercedes Benz dealership for starting snacks at Noon and ending with a wonderful dinner and prizes for the winners and losers. If you have attended the last few Poker Runs then you know this is a great event and good time! If not, plan on attending!

You will not want to miss the 2017 Poker Run...Put in on your calendar NOW!

For more information contact Harman Cadis, at Harman@FocusHOA.com, or call us at 480-242-8087.



Enthusiast from Page 1

the People's Choice exemplar car contest we will provide informative industry speakers. We are planning visits to several of the auctions during the week as well, with a recap of the excitement at the MB Enthusiasts dinner. There will again be a contest for members to predict final prices achieved by select Mercedes cars at auction. Moving the fun to Sunday evening allows us to review the auctions in their entirety, and provides for participants to attend the last auctions of the week. Please use the attached form to register and pay for the event. Be sure to indicate the "exemplar car" you want to show on the registration form.

MBCA members from other regions who are planning to be in town for the auctions, or just visiting at this beautiful time of year, are encouraged to participate in the events we have planned during the week and on Sunday evening. Please make hotel reservations soon, as the auctions draw an international crowd and accommodations are best reserved early. If you want information on hotel choices in the area, or for any other questions please call John or Roberta Phin at 480-272-8851 or email at jgphin@cox.net.

2017 Concours in the Hills

Saturday February 11 from 10AM - 3PM

By Peter Volny, Concours in the Hills

The show is held in what is undoubtedly the most spectacular setting for a car show in the valley, on the grass around the lake and fountain. Thanks to two entrances/exits, and a simplified entry procedure, we were able to get all the cars in and out with virtually no delays and everyone seemed to enjoy the show. In fact, we have been contacted by several car clubs that have not participated before but will do so in 2017. There will be more food trucks and more washrooms.

In anticipation of even greater attendance we are making more changes to improve the show and especially to allow more space and less cramming. Plus, we have some exciting surprises bound to generate a lot of interest. The town is reseeding any bare areas and will water until the day before the show to minimize dust.

Register now! at www.concoursinthehills.org

This is not a formal "white gloves" concours but rather a relaxed and fun event designed to allow enthusiasts to display their own vehicles and admire others. We welcome all high-performance, sports, classic, race, muscle, hot-rods both import and domestic.



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In The Mirror: Rocky Mountain Regional Event

Mesa Verde National Park and Four Corners Monument

Held September 9-11, 2016

By Mark Ichiyama

Twenty-six MBCA members from Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, and Arizona enjoyed a fascinating weekend event at the Mesa Verde National Park in Cortez, Colorado on September 10, 2016. That's a grand total of four sections from three regions getting together to drive, sightsee and enjoy the spectacular scenery of the mountains, mesas, and ancient cave dwellings. The weather and roads couldn't have been better. There were ample opportunities to socialize, get acquainted and share stories with each other at two gatherings plus a delicious Saturday evening dinner. On Sunday, a few of us stopped at the Four Corners Monument on the way home where you can simultaneously stand on four states at one time. The trip was a reminder of what a beautiful country we live in.



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Please send me a note with what you would like (name and color) and enclose a check for \$10.50 for each badge made out to 'MBCA-Desert Stars'. I will take care of placing the orders and will send you your badges when they arrive. Please contact me by January 1, 2017 with your request.

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Thank you,
- Debbie

Sponsor Spotlight: MB Motors

By Ken Borowitz

In this edition of “**Sponsor Spotlight**”, we take a diagnostic look under the hood to see what’s happening over at MB Motors, located in Phoenix (just off the 202 and 32nd St) at 2730 E McDowell Rd.

MB Motors is family owned and operated by our very own Bud Cloninger (past MBCA Desert Star Section president, and current MBCA Southwest Regional Director). After working for Mercedes-Benz for eighteen years, Bud and his wife Dee, incorporated M.B. Motors Ltd in 1992. Currently, their daughter Jamie Swayngim oversees all M.B. Motors operations.



Q: Bud and Jamie, please tell us about your primary business goals at MB Motors?

A: (Bud) We try very hard to listen and communicate with owners. Our goal is to be as accurate as possible in diagnosis and repair of the automobile. And because we specialize in only Mercedes-Benz, I think this gives us an edge and helps us achieve this goal. We believe repair and maintenance on your Mercedes should not be a confusing event.

Q: Do you have any special qualifications / certifications?

A: (Jamie) Yes - all of our employees, including myself, are up to date on the latest repair and maintenance procedures for Mercedes-Benz cars. Besides having many years of factory training classes, our staff has also received two ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) Master Technician awards. We also have access to the latest Mercedes-Benz training information that keeps us up to date on new service information and repair procedures.

Q: Beyond regular maintenance and repair services, are there any other services you offer?

A: (Bud) One thing we do a lot of is pre-purchase inspections, or PPI’s. Included in our comprehensive inspection we check the CARFAX® (if needed), along with an on-hoist inspection and road test. Because we only work on Mercedes automobiles, we know what to look for when performing an inspection. We are looking out for the purchasers best interest, and want to make sure they get a good, and safe, Mercedes-Benz for many years of enjoyment. As for other repairs (such as glass, bodywork, or upholstery), you can count on our proven referrals.

Q: What are your business hours?

A: (Jamie) We are open Mondays thru Fridays from 7:30am to 4:00pm. We are not open on Saturdays or Sundays to spend time with family and friends.

Q: Tell us more about yourselves, your family, and staff, and what your passions are away from the shop?

A: (Bud) Dee and I love exploring Arizona’s backcountry and it’s history. It’s not unusual for us to take off for the weekend with metal detectors in hand to go search old homesteads or historical sites. As for Jamie and her husband Ray, with five children, you can imagine what most of their free time is dedicated to (*ed. note-stated with a big smile*). That said, they find time to raise chickens and quail, along with Serama Bantams (show birds). Cory and his wife Gabrielle enjoy fishing, camping, and the beach when he is away from the shop.

Q: Do either of you or your employees own / drive a Mercedes?

A: (Jamie) We have all owned many Mercedes-Benz models over the years. My first car when I was in high school was a 190E 2.3. It’s what all of us prefer to drive. With all our children now, my vehicle of choice today is a Suburban!

Q: Any MBCA / Desert Stars events which are special for M.B. Motors?

A: (Jamie) We really enjoy hosting Tech Sessions. We have the privilege to help educate the club members on various topics, as well as opportunity to open the shop to those that have not been here. It’s a great way to give back to the loyal customers that are also part of MBCA.

Q: Anything else you want our members to know?

A: (Bud) The overall experience (repair and customer focus) is really important to us. We are a small, highly skilled repair shop that takes pride in the Mercedes-Benz brand. We all enjoy what we do, and it shows. It’s something that, I believe, is hard to find in most of today’s businesses.

MB Motors can be reached at 602-392-0686, or email them at MBMOTORSAZ@gmail.com.

Thank You Bud, Dee, Jamie, Ray, and Cory for your continued support of MBCA and Desert Stars!

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In The Mirror: Havasupai Rallye

Held September 24, 2016

By John and Roberta Phin

This was without doubt the most delicious Havasupai that Desert Stars have ever attended. With thirty-five attendees, the rallye was challenging enough to bring out the skills of the practiced rallyers and to initiate a few of the novices in the group. And even if hopelessly lost...there was chocolate to look forward to! We learned how chocolate is grown, dried, processed into nibs, sorted, washed, roasted, blended with ingredients to make it taste yummy, then made into bars or "fussed" over to make artistic and creative chocolates that we must first admire before devouring.

We started at Brix Wines in Carefree where Xocolatl Chocolatier Jason Wasser and Xocalatl partner Steven Schwinghammer talked with the group about their "chocolate odyssey". They outlined how they were drawn to this business, and applied a degree in biology, love of chocolate, and business acumen to create works of art such as Passion Fruit Caramel Mango, Coconut Lime Peanut, Kahlua Almond Crunch, and Raspberry Pepper. We tasted those plus five additional different flavors and each one was sublime.

Then we began the rallye and drove to the mid-point destination of Zak's Chocolates in Scottsdale. Owners Maureen and Jim Elitzak, helped by their two daughters, led us through a tasting of several kinds of dark chocolate in their more natural state. They then took us through their working kitchen where we saw the process of transforming the basic ingredients into delicious, elegant confections. Since there are limited small business "chocolatiers", the Elitzak's showed us how they utilized diverse equipment tailored to their chocolate requirements. For example, it is hard to buy a chocolate roaster, but easy to get a coffee roaster. So...start with a coffee roaster and re-engineer it to roast the chocolate. Sounds simple, huh?

So with the sugar buzz going for us, we tackled the rest of the rallye, some parts on foot, most driving. We met up at the restaurant Drexyl in Scottsdale. And there we first had a chocolate and wine pairing experience; Chocolates by Zak's, wine pairing by Drexyl. The chocolates from Zak's were Earl Gray Lavender Truffle, Ginger Tangerine Truffle and Mocha Truffle. Drexyl provided really delicious meals with great service in a lovely setting. Desert Stars had an enjoyable time sharing tales and trials of the day.

First place was won by Marianne and John Hutchison, and they received a traditional trophy of a Kachina and a gift certificate for Zak's chocolates. Second place was won by novice Ketisha Colon-Villereal who partnered with Arnie Brown for a masterful performance. They shared a box of Xocolatl chocolates. In third place, Chuck Stanford partnered with his sister Jana Stanford and they won a gift certificate from Zak's chocolates. Congratulations to the winners and all the participants.



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Havasupai Rallye Photos



Maureen Elitzak in Zaks Kitchen



First Place went to John & Marianne Hutchison



2nd Place, Brown and Colon-Killereal



Above: Jim Elitzak, Zaks



Quite a spread at Xocolatl Chocolates



3rd Place, Team Stanford

In The Mirror: Tech Session

Held October 22, 2016

By John and Roberta Phin



Desert Stars met at Schumacher European, Ltd. on Saturday, October 22 for a Technical Session featuring solutions for safely transporting precious cargo, our children and pets, in our automobiles, as well as a presentation of the new technical features of Mercedes-Benz automobiles designed to enhance occupant safety and move the brand in the direction of autonomous transport. We were welcomed by Sarah Jones and General Manager Kevin Steele representing Schumacher European, Ltd. which once again opened the facility in support of our club. Stacey B. Larsen, owner of the Puppy Prep School, Christopher West of the Arizona Humane Society Emergency Animal Medical Technician program, Carey Chenery Dillabo of Power Paws Assistant Dogs, and Lauren Nelson of the Pet Market demonstrated technical solutions for the safe transportation of cats and dogs. Utilizing a beautiful Golden Retriever they us gave strategies for training pets to be safer travelers.

Cristy Robinson of AAA Arizona, representing its Foundation for Traffic Safety, demonstrated the proper use of car seats for children of varying ages and also gave an overview of the legal obligations we incur when we transport children in our cars. This was followed by Grant Anderson of Schumacher who gave a mind bending exposition of the technical features of the latest Mercedes-Benz automobiles designed to both protect occupants and assist the driver in all road conditions. Mr. Steele then blew a few minds when he reported on the commitment of the German government to end sales of new fossil-fueled vehicles in the EU starting in the year 2030!



Above: Carey Chenery Dillabo Power Paws Assistant Dogs and Christopher West of the Arizona Humane Society Emergency Animal Medical Technician program



Above: Stacy Larsen, Puppy Prep School

The Tech Session was also a fund raiser for the AHS Emergency Animal Medical Technician program and its animal ambulance program which is the designated responder for animal rescue in the case of natural disaster or extreme animal abuse. Altogether, \$1,090 was raised through a silent auction of a Mercedes 300SL "pedal car" and a raffle of a Mercedes-Benz Detail, both donated by Schumacher European, Ltd., as well as a silent auction of a day-spa/beauty product package donated by the Spa at Rancho Manana.

We then enjoyed lunch in the lounge which had been nicely decorated by Schumacher for the benefit of Desert Stars. Coincidentally, Schumacher European, Ltd. had amazing new and resale cars on display and we know at least one Desert Star succumbed to the charms of a late model SL550! Once again, the annual Tech Session was educational, provided an opportunity to see old friends and make some new ones, and this year supported a great cause.



Tech Session Photos



Above: Cristy Robinson of AAA worked on child car seats and Above, right: Kevin Steele from Schumacher spoke on all things Mercedes-Benz



Clockwise, above: Attendees take note of the days lessons; Lauren Nelson of Pet Market, Grant Anderson reviews M-B Tech, Sarah Jones from Schumacher kept us organized, Debbie helped us raise funds; John Phin found another new car!



In The Mirror: Temecula

Held October 7-10, 2016

By John Hutchison

Columbus Day weekend, ten hearty Desert Stars souls ventured south and west to explore the high desert and Southern California's wine country. Friday afternoon we drove to Yuma for Happy Hour (or two) and an overnight stay at the Shilo Inn. The rooms were comfortable, the pool was large and inviting, and we had a pleasurable evening enjoying snacks and wine in the gazebo near the pool.

Saturday morning after a hot breakfast at the hotel, we were up early for a leisurely drive west toward the Imperial Valley and then north into the mountains to a step back in time in Julian, CA, the



heart of apple country. After walking the town, venturing into the shops and buying local merchandise and tasty goods, we had an excellent lunch at the Julian Grill, located in a neighborhood house that has been converted into a restaurant. After lunch, we headed further west to our first winery located in Escondido named Belle Marie. The host was their winemaker, with pouring of a number of very enjoyable whites and reds. After that short stop, we headed to our final destination of the day, the Embassy Suites Hotel in Temecula Wine Country. A group picture (for those that could find the location) at the corner of Mercedes and Fourth Street was taken, and we started the evening at the hotel Happy Hour on the patio followed by dinner at Bailey's Restaurant in Old Town.

Sunday morning, after a great "cooked-to-order" breakfast at the hotel, we were off to do some tasting of the area wines. Compared to other wine areas in California such as Napa, Sonoma and Paso Robles, Temecula's wineries are in a compact grouping primarily along Rancho California Road, with a number of smaller vineyards a bit further to the east and south. Other Desert Stars members who recently returned from Temecula recommended five of the smaller properties, and we were pleased with their selection. Most of us had lunch at the Cougar Winery but several elected to go to the Wilson Creek Winery for their Sunday brunch which was a bit expensive, but judged excellent. Even though their parking lot was jam-packed, the winery and restaurant were not crowded.

That evening after another great Happy Hour at the hotel, our final weekend banquet was held at sundown at the Meritage Restaurant located at the Callaway Winery overlooking the vineyard.

Wiens was judged as the best winery on our tour, although compared to a very similar trip the Desert Stars took Memorial Day weekend in 2006, it was felt that the area is maturing, and the wines are generally getting better.

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Mercedes-Benz Enthusiasts Dinner Sunday, January 22, 2017

Please Register and Pay by January 12, 2017*

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December 4, 2016	Sunday	Holiday Party
January 22, 2017	Sunday	MB Enthusiasts Dinner
February 25, 2017	Saturday	Desert Stars Annual Poker Run
March 11, 2017	Saturday	Defensive Driving
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