



The Road Benz

The Newsletter from MBCA | Wichita

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Wichita Section

President's Corner

Lee Elrick Jr., Section President



Happy New Year to all of our Wichita Section members and friends! Being the optimist that I am, I can't help thinking that 2021 should see an improvement over 2020.

Some really good news has been announced by the MBCA National Board regarding the member rebate program. The terms have been revised and the program offers up to \$7000 off a new lease or purchase of a Mercedes-Benz. To learn more, visit www.mbca.org/mbusa-incentives

You may have noticed so new MBCA on-line educational presentations. The next upcoming event will be presented by the Pittsburg Section and is called: Automotive Brake Systems, Maintenance, Repairs, and Restoration. It's scheduled for January 30th at 12PM central time. The event is limited to 100 members and you can RSVP at MBCAphgchapter@gmail.com.

Finally, please take a look at our preliminary schedule of events for 2021. Things may adjust as the year progresses so stay tuned. Thank you so much for being a member and I hope to see you at a future section event.

Lee

2021 Section Event Calendar

Jan 28th: Zoom section membership meeting and cocktail hour

Feb 20th: Visit the Wichita Art Museum

Mar 13th: Visit to Mark Arts

Apr 10th: Private tour of the Wichita Historical Museum

May 1st: McPherson Car Show

Jun: Poker Run

Jul: Area drive and lunch at Prost

Aug: Section meeting

Sep: Salina German Car Show and/or Wine Tasting

Oct: Kansas City car show or another driving event

Nov: Shop visit or educational talk

Dec: Potential dealership event



Upcoming Events**Wichita Section Zoom Membership Meeting and Social Cocktail Hour**When: **January 28th, 7PM to 8:30PM**Where: **On-Line**

This will be our first try at a Section Zoom event. This will be an opportunity to talk about upcoming events or other MB or club related news. Sure, it would be nice to meet in person but for now this is the best way to have a membership meeting. Feel free to enjoy your favorite adult beverage as we talk about the upcoming section events and any other club or MB related news. To talk part in this event you will need to download the Zoom App on your device of choice or you can access the event via the Zoom webpage. The event log-in details will be sent out ahead of the meeting along with instructions on how to access the Zoom meeting. Should be fun and hope to see a lot of people there.

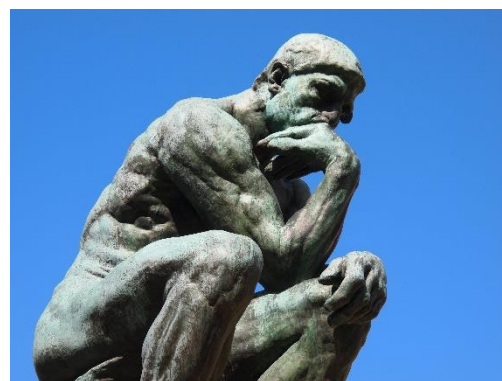
**Visit to the Wichita Art Museum**When: **February 20th, 10AM to 12PM**Where: **Wichita Art Museum, 1400 Museum Blvd, Wichita 67203**

This is an opportunity to get out of the bad weather and visit a real community treasure. The art museum has an extensive collection with constantly changing installations. There's something for everyone! Plus there's plenty of room to social distance. To learn more about the museum visit: www.wichitaartmuseum.org.

If the weather cooperates, we may be able to get some great pictures of our cars in the museum circle.

Visit to Mark ArtsWhen: **March 13th, 10:30AM to 12PM**Where: **1307 N. Rock Road, Wichita 67206**

Here is another opportunity to experience some great art right here in the local area. Mark Arts showcases local art in a variety of mediums and of course it is all comfortably inside so we can avoid the unpredictable March weather. Additionally there's plenty of space to social distance. You can learn more about Mark Arts by visiting: markartsk.com.



Benz Bazaar

Have something to sell? Does your Mercedes need a new home? Extra parts lying around?
Looking for a part or a car? Send a message to the editor (rkfilbey@gmail.com) and we'll get your
listing or request in The Benz Bazaar. Our section newsletter comes out about once a quarter.



National Club News

Mercedes Freude: The Joy of Everything Mercedes

November 2021

**Omni Hilton Head Oceanfront Resort
Hilton Head Island, SC**

A new and improved national event that incorporates the most popular activities of both StarFest® and StarTech events. The kickoff of Mercedes Freude (“The Joy of Everything Mercedes”) will begin with an arrival on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at the Omni Hilton Head Oceanfront Resort on Hilton Head Island, SC.

MBCA events and activities will run through Friday evening November 5, 2021. Saturday November 6, 2021 will be the kickoff of Legends of the Autobahn East Coast, which will be held on the Port Royal golf course and then Sunday November 7, 2021 will be the Hilton Head Island Concours d' Elegance, also held at Port Royal.

This will be an event not to be missed! Please pass the word and “save the date” - now! Stay tuned for updated details on this website, our Facebook page, and Newsletter including The Star® magazine.

[Event Website](#)



Mercedes-Benz Club of America – Wichita Section

Membership News

Our section currently has 105 members.

Welcome to our newest members: **Mike Mitchell** and **Charles Scott**

Here's a hearty thanks to all of our renewing members since our last newsletter: **Brian Boisvert, Bob Cummings, Jeff Siebels, Martin Perline, Tom Sincissen, and Nestor Weigand**. Thank you so much for your sustained membership.

As 2021 begins, we'd like to recognize some membership anniversaries:

30 Years: **Vin and Trish Kissick**

25 Years: **Gil Perez-Abraham**

15 Years: **Don Mayer**

10 Years: **Brian Boisvert, Helen Galloway, Richard Hiebsch, Harriet Irwin, Michael Grant, Kelly Holloway, Mike Norman, Ronald Padfield, Jack Pelton, Dave Snodgrass, Daryl Timmerman, and Samuel Williams**

5 Years: **Brett and Deanna Gaffney**

Please continue to promote our club with other Mercedes owners so we can increase our numbers. If you meet someone who has specific questions about our club, please direct them to contact us at MBCA.Wichita@aol.com. If you have other ideas about how to improve our membership numbers, please don't hesitate to contact me (Kirk Filbey) at rkfilbey@gmail.com.

For our current members, please don't forget to renew your membership so you don't miss out on future events. Renewing members are the core part of our section.

Thank you all for your sustained membership and support of the club!



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