



The Road Benz

The Newsletter from MBCA | Wichita

August 2014

Chartered in 1972

Wichita Section

It's time to get back together and kick start more upcoming events.

Event Business:

Elections of new officers.

More ideas for fall activities – subjects, places, frequency, times.

Have Fun!



AUGUST EVENT

Club Social & Dinner with Elections

Date: **Saturday, August 30, 2014**

Time: **5:30pm Cocktails with Business Followed by Dinner**

The club will be covering dinner for member* and one guest.
(For club liability, alcoholic beverages excluded from dinner coverage)

Location: **ADRIAN'S Restaurant**
<http://www.adrianscafe.com>
2121 N Rock Rd. Suite 300
Wichita, KS
(SW corner of 21st & Rock Rd)

RSVP: ***** Required ***** by Friday, August 29th
Email to MBCA.Wichita@aol.com
Or leave a message at 316-838-3636



* Members in Good Standing



MBCA | Wichita Officers

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President,
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Vin Kissick
Vice President

Suzanne Moore
Secretary/Treasurer
Newsletter Editor

*The club needs:
your ideas,
your help,
&
your involvement!*



PAST EVENT REPORT

Kansas Cosmosphere & Space Center Tour Hutchinson, KS April 12, 2014

It was a really full and great day trip for 10 of us. Club member, Will Tobin from Hutchison, arranged for us all to first meet for lunch at Jillian's Italian Restaurant on Main Street in Hutchison; it's a very nice place that we should return to in the near future. From there we headed to the Cosmosphere and the group enjoyed 2 IMAX movies, the planetarium night sky, and a tour thru the space museum.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Steven Baskett, Section President

Our last events have been surprising and fun. I enjoyed meeting all the new members at the officer's meeting at the dealership. Several of those new members attended the trip to the Cosmosphere in Hutchison. As an unexpected bonus, we were very fortunate to see Apollo 13 astronaut, Fred Haise seated at the table next to us where we ate lunch. Then, at the Cosmosphere, we saw the actual Apollo 13 capsule that he flew. You may remember the movie, "Apollo 13" starring Tom Hanks, Kevin Bacon, and Bill Paxton portraying Fred Haise. For those who have not had the experience of seeing the museum, it houses one of the largest collections of space flight artifacts. It includes the Liberty Bell 7, the only privately owned US spacecraft. We watched 2 IMAX movies "Jerusalem" and "We the People".

The C.A.R.S. show in McPherson was a huge success. Once again we had good participation from the local membership in addition to several visiting chapters. For the last several years, the National Board meeting has fallen on the same day as the McPherson Car Show. We were honored by visiting Director at Large and past National President, Steve Dirks; and our own Regional Director, Charlie Bennett; and Past National President, Roger Van Ness. I want to express our appreciation for VIPs coming after they "attended" the board meeting via lap top. All members enjoyed visiting with the National Board Members.

I have really enjoyed the last two years serving as your president. It is with regret due to personal obligations, that I will not be seeking re-election for president. At our next meeting we will be holding elections for officers. I highly encourage your participation and support of our club. On a personal note, I intend to assist the new officers as much as I can. I do want to especially thank our Vice President, Vin Kissick and our Treasurer/Secretary, Suzanne Moore for their hard work and dedication.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at our next meeting. Thank you for your support.



Past Event Report (continued)

McPherson College | Automotive Restoration C.A.R.S. Club Show 15TH ANNUAL C.A.R.S. CLUB Car Show May 3, 2014

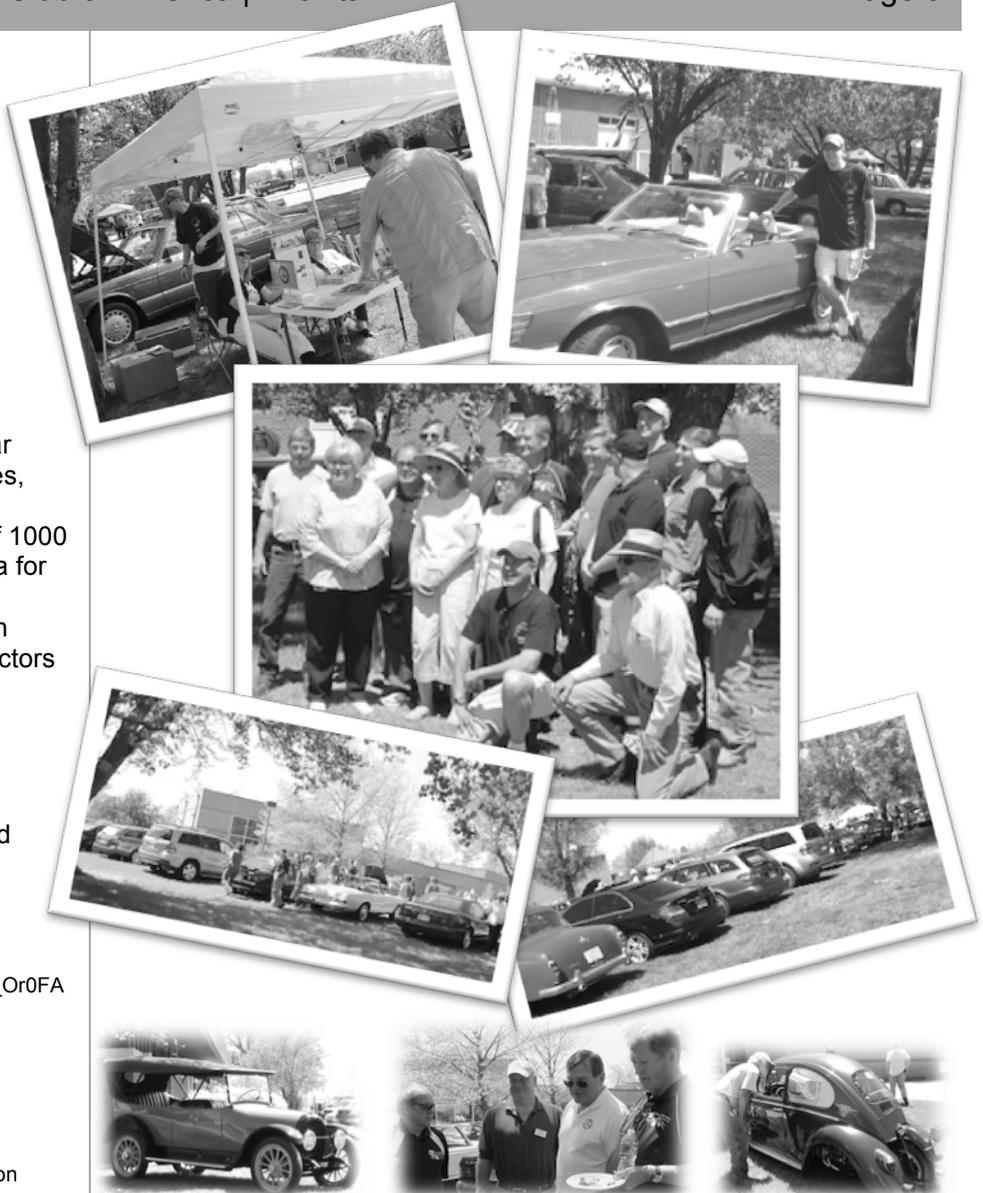
It was a beautiful spring day with redbud trees all in bloom. This year there were about 225 vehicle entries, including 13 beautiful new and old Mercedes-Benz and an estimate of 1000 visitors. Our section provided pizza for all the Mercedes-Benz car owners. Read the President Section to learn what MBCA National Board of Directors were all there.

You can view a short 3 minutes YouTube video of the show that includes 5 seconds of some of our Mercedes-Benz entries (see around the 2:45 minute mark). This show had everything from antiques, vintage, hot rods, and even some odd vehicles.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKUpb_Or0FA

To learn more about the college Automotive Restoration activities, see their websites:

<http://www.mcpherson.edu/autorestitution/>
<https://www.facebook.com/MCautorestitution>



Brief Look: Wichita Section History

It was 1972 when the section was chartered. The first 10 years were filled with fun, laughter, socials, and many road trips, with several being of state. The next 15 years the section averaged 6 events per year that included lots of socials at restaurants with usually at least one learning event, an in-state road trip, and ending the year with a great Christmas Party at a private home. After a couple years break, the section regrouped and for the next 15 years focused on having an average of 3 events per year but focused on more activity events and less restaurant social events. The idea was to see places that we normally never "get-around-to-it" and enjoy Kansas with our Mercedes-Benz. So what will our next 15 years be? If you have ideas for long or short day trips and/or events and venue ideas, please share them with the section officers or email to section email address: MBCA.Wichita@aol.com.





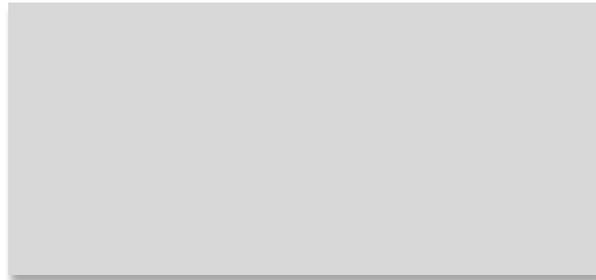
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Mercedes-Benz Club of America

Upcoming EVENT!

Saturday
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Be sure to renew your membership!



Message to Mercedes-Benz Enthusiasts - Don't Miss Out -

There are advantages to registering your email address with MBCA. Hopefully you received the latest MBUSA and MBCA news. The following news articles are just some that have been shared via email from www.MBCA.org in the last 30 days:

- Chicago to Key West 2015 Road Trip
- Mountains, Movies & Mercedes Special Regional Event
- Airstream and Mercedes-Benz Club Of America Announce Multi-Year Strategic Partnership
- Supply of new Mercedes GLA will be tight
- World's Only Mercedes 540K Streamliner Headed To Pebble Beach
- Mercedes-Benz's autonomous driving features dominate the industry -- and will for years
- 2015 Mercedes-Benz C-class: U.S. specifications released

