



August - September  
2018

## Eastern Oklahoma Section



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## Time to turn the page... and other comments

Life is changing for me. As you read this article, I have officially retired from my place of employment for the last 21+ years. Since I can't go "cold Turkey", I am consulting for a while to transition the business to new leaders. I will miss the people with which I shared 40+ hours each week for a long time. However, a succession with new directions is positive for any organization. I can now focus my time on building a new home, volunteering, getting into better shape, and focusing on the things that will make me happy.



**John Kushnerick**  
President

One of the things that makes me happy is serving as your section President. I have a few ideas up my sleeve and maybe we can accomplish them in the next year. Watch out!

I want to thank Marlethea & Dave for hosting our ice cream social in July. Hot weather and GPS could not deter 29 members and guests from attending. We had a great time socializing and grazing on a host of desserts and assorted appetizers. It was great to see some members who I have not seen at events since early in the year. I really like events in the home of a member since we get a chance to talk to more people than just the ones near us at a restaurant.

Our Q3 Board meeting was held on Saturday August 11 and we reviewed several items including the calendar of activities for the balance of the year. We are working to add some new events to the balance of the year such as a Chili cookoff and a joint Halloween or Christmas event with Cimarron region of the Porsche Club of America. More details to follow. Looks like we have a nice group heading to Bartlesville for the "Frankly Mercedes" event and a bigger group heading to Pawhuska in September for the Pioneer Woman trip.

Finally, I would like to ask all of you a favor. Can you please spend five minutes of your time to go into your MBCA profile and make sure the information you provided when you first joined is still accurate. We use this database to contact you and to make sure you get the newsletter and meeting information in a timely fashion. In addition, I would ask that if your spouse or significant other wants to be part of the club that you add them as an Associate member. It costs nothing to add them to the list and they can be part of the organization as well.



Member satisfaction is the key to this organization. I'm open to suggestions and would love to hear from you. My new email is [jkushnerick@cox.net](mailto:jkushnerick@cox.net).

Have a great summer.

### Welcome New Members!

Thomas DeLorbe  
Phillip Jennings

### Thank You Loyal Members!

Rex Alexander  
David Box  
Linda Ferris  
Jeffrey Fischer  
Ronald Hardage  
Fred Jones  
Ben Kehe  
John Kushnerick  
John Mueller  
Richard Salamon  
Richard Van Laere  
Peter Voth  
Fritz Winkler



# Trivia Time!

## How much do you know?

Below are the answers to last issues Automobile Trivia Challenge followed by the next set of stumpers that will test your knowledge of the auto industry and Mercedes-Benz history.



**FALSE!** The 1953 'Vett's were available in one color; Polo White.



**"The first Kirby's Pig Stand opened in West Oak Cliff, at the Fort Worth Pike and Chalk Hill Road intersection, in 1921. The little barbecue stand with carhop service was an immediate hit because drivers were "too lazy" to get out of their cars, according to news stories from the time. J.G Kirby opened the second Pig Stand on Zang at Colorado not long after the original opened. Pig Stand was so successful that by 1924 there were nine other stands in Dallas. That year, the company sold 50,000 of its "pig sandwiches" at those 10 stores, according to Texas Monthly. The company also expanded to San Antonio, Houston and Beaumont, and it opened Pig Stands in six other states as well. Business remained steady, and former carhop Royce Hailey bought Pig Stand, then a chain of 23 Texas restaurants, in 1961. The last remaining Pig Stand in Dallas, at Northwest Highway and Abrams, closed in 1985."**

Stone, Rachel. "Back Story: 20<sup>th</sup> Century Car Culture Birthed Pig Stand and Sivils." *Advocate* [Oak Cliff], 29 May 2017, oakcliff.advocatemag.com/2017/05/back-story-20th-century-car-culture-birthed-pig-stand-sivils/



**Who told Karl Benz: "I'd forget about the motor car if I were you."? - In May of 1890 Max Rose; one of the original shareholders in Benz & Cie along with his partner Friedrich Wilhelm Esslinger, gave Karl this well-meant piece of advice. Their places were taken by Julius Ganß and Friedrich von Fischer allowing Rheinische Gasmotoren-Fabrik Benz & Cie. to grow into the second largest engine factory in Germany and become a driving force for automotive development.**

**When did Benz introduce his first 4-wheeled automobile?**

**What other significant German automobile manufacturer came from Benz & Cie.?**

**What was the first car fitted with a replaceable cartridge oil filter?**

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# 2018 Joint Picnic



Forty-nine MBCA members and guests attended the annual Central Oklahoma Mercedes owner picnic at Hafer Park in Edmond OK Saturday, June 16, 2018.

ship. In any case, this was an event you'll want to add to your calendar next year.



**A special thank you to members from the Central Oklahoma Section for putting on such a fabulous picnic and car show event!**

Eleven Eastern Ok members caravanned to the event and joined up with the group to celebrate the Mercedes ownership experience. Members found a great showcase with thirty-three different models to view and explore.

This was by far the best attendance I had seen at this event in several years. Maybe it was the free luncheon, the nice weather, or the fellow-

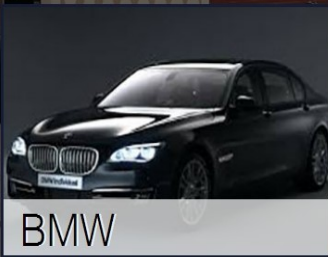


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# Ice Cream You Scream!



It was a packed house with packed bellies at the annual ice cream social on the evening of July 21<sup>st</sup>.

cakes and fruit and, of course, ice cream with a variety of toppings.

As members enjoyed their tasty morsels several of



Northern residing members of the Eastern Oklahoma section were treated with the short drive to Marlethea and Dave's home in Owasso near Bailey Golf Course. The col-de-sac provided the perfect layout to display the beautiful Mercedes our members brought to the event.



the men gathered to admire Dave's pristine and incredibly organized garage while others discussed past events, upcoming drives and current life happenings.



Though the temps outside were being measured using the "Hades Scale" inside it was as cool as a cucumber. Attendees gathered about the beautiful open living/dining/kitchen area where a smorgasbord of deliciousness was laid out inviting all to partake. Delectables ranged from a cheese and nut tray to Anna's delicious enchiladas,

It was a joyous occasion of food and fellowship!





# Construction Update @ Jackie Cooper



Deconstruction is nearly completed and steel is expected to be delivered by the 20th of August at Jackie Cooper Mercedes-Benz. After that; glass. That's where we'll really be able to see the transition from deconstruction to construction!



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## August Board Report



Your MBCA Eastern OK Board Members came together on Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, to discuss upcoming events, new drives, more tech opportunities and ways to increase membership.

The board agreed to participate in the Leake Auto Auction in 2019 as this is the primary fundraiser for the section and the members who serve always have a wonderful time.

Election for the National Mercedes Benz Club of America Board of Directors is upon us! Ballots will be mailed and/or emailed out beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> and members will have until October 15<sup>th</sup> to vote. If you are unsure of who to vote for come to our next meeting and we will discuss the candidates.

We have several events coming up {detailed on the "upcoming events" page of the newsletter} including the South Baptist Car Show, Pioneer Woman Mercantile, a Chili Cook-off, a toy run and a Christmas party. There was minimal interest in participating in a Trunk-or-Treat event for Halloween so that event has been removed from the calendar for 2018.

Tim Vander Kooi, our membership chair, delivered a presentation on opportunities to increase membership within the chapter. The board agreed to begin strengthening our relationship with Jackie Cooper and Autohaus Winkler as well as other key supporters. We will begin to increase our signage at events and ensure that the public at large, and not only attending members, are aware of our meetings and thereby our club. Also in an attempt to include our members from surrounding areas the board agreed that meeting locations for 2019 will be spread out into other areas of Tulsa such as Owasso and Broken Arrow and other Green Country areas. Lastly, in the area of increased membership, we will be looking at adding more tech events to the calendar for 2019.

Finally the board wrapped up the meeting discussing new prizes for meeting raffles and participation in the 2019 Concourse event in Dallas. Needless to say 2019 is setting up to be a fantastic fun-filled year for our MBCA Eastern OK members! We look forward to sharing it with you!

## Upcoming Events

### South Tulsa Baptist Car Show September 16th @ 1:30

Join us for this annual car show! We will be meeting at the Home Goods parking lot at 101st & Memorial at 1:30pm and then heading to the church where we will be provided with a delicious meal of burgers, chips, drinks and a dessert. The show starts at 3pm and goes until 6pm. This is a fun event to attend and a great way to get our name out to the community!

### Pioneer Woman Mercantile September 22nd Day Trip


Take the beautiful drive to Pawhuska with us to enjoy lunch at the Pioneer Woman's restaurant and then enjoy a little shopping. We will have a sign-up sheet at the next meeting or you can e-mail your name and the # of attendees to [jkushnerick@cox.net](mailto:jkushnerick@cox.net). We do have members from Central OK and Ozark sections joining us as well. The restaurant requires a final head count NO LATER THAN September 8th so if you plan on joining us please be sure to get your name on the list!

### Chili Cook-off in October {date TBD}

Get out your family chili recipes and get ready to spice things up at the October members meetings. Everyone will vote for their favorite chili and we'll have a special prize for the winner. The signup to bring chili or other tasty treats will be at the September meeting.

### Board Meeting November 3rd

The board will be meeting to determine the 2019 calendar of events. If there is anything you would like to see added please email [jkushnerick@cox.net](mailto:jkushnerick@cox.net).

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## 2018 Schedule of Events

### January

- 18<sup>th</sup> - MONTHLY MEETING, EL GUAPO, 81<sup>ST</sup> & HARVARD, 6:30PM  
 20<sup>th</sup> - CAFFEINE AND GASOLENE, LOCATION TBD, 9AM-NOON

### February

- 3<sup>rd</sup> - MBCA BOARD MEETING, JACKIE COOPER TRAINING ROOM  
 6<sup>th</sup> - BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR OF JACKIE COOPER MERCEDES  
 15<sup>th</sup> - MONTHLY MEETING, TI AMO, 61<sup>ST</sup> & SHERIDAN, 6:30PM  
 17<sup>th</sup> - CAFFEINE AND GASOLENE, THE VINEYARD, 106<sup>TH</sup> & MEMORIAL 9AM-NOON  
 23<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> - LEAKE AUTO AUCTION, OKC FAIRGROUNDS

### March

- 15<sup>th</sup> - MONTHLY MEETING, FLYING TEE, JENKS, 6:30PM  
 17<sup>th</sup> - CAFFEINE AND GASOLENE, THE VINEYARD, 106<sup>TH</sup> & MEMORIAL 9AM-NOON  
 24<sup>th</sup> - ENID OK, BSA CAR SHOW, TOUR PRIVATE COLLECTION - TBD

### April

- 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> - TULSA AUTO SHOW, TULSA OK  
 19<sup>th</sup> - MONTHLY MEETING, SEIGIS SAUSAGE FACTORY, 6:30PM  
 21<sup>st</sup> - MERCEDES MIXER E. OK, C. OK, OZARK SECTIONS, STOKLEY E.C.  
 21<sup>st</sup> - CAFFEINE AND GASOLENE, THE VINEYARD, 106<sup>TH</sup> & MEMORIAL 9AM-NOON  
 28<sup>th</sup> - MBCA BOARD MEETING, JACKIE COOPER TRAINING ROOM

### May

- 5<sup>th</sup> - HUTCHINSON KANSAS TOUR/SALT MINES/AMISH FOOD  
 14<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> - MBCA STARFEST, BIRMINGHAM AL  
 17<sup>th</sup> - MONTHLY MEETING, MICHAEL V'S, BIXBY OK, 6:30PM  
 19<sup>th</sup> - CAFFEINE AND GASOLENE, THE VINEYARD, 106<sup>TH</sup> & MEMORIAL 9AM-NOON

### June

- 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> - LEAKE AUCTION TULSA, VOLUNTEER'S NEEDED!  
 16<sup>th</sup> - CAFFEINE AND GASOLENE, THE VINEYARD, 106<sup>TH</sup> & MEMORIAL 9AM-NOON  
 16<sup>th</sup> - JOINT PICNIC W/ CENTRAL OK, HAFFER PARK  
 21<sup>st</sup> - MONTHLY MEETING, SEIGI'S SAUSAGE FACTORY, 6:30PM

### July

- 21<sup>st</sup> - MONTHLY MEETING, ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT MARLETHEA'S, 6:30PM  
 21<sup>st</sup> - CAFFEINE AND GASOLENE, THE VINEYARD, 106<sup>TH</sup> & MEMORIAL 9AM-NOON

### August

- 4<sup>th</sup> - MBCA BOARD MEETING, JACKIE COOPER TRAINING ROOM  
 16<sup>th</sup> - MONTHLY MEETING, CHARLESTON'S 68TH & YALE, 6:30PM  
 19<sup>th</sup> - CAFFEINE AND GASOLENE, THE VINEYARD, 106<sup>TH</sup> & MEMORIAL 9AM-NOON  
 25<sup>th</sup> - BARTILSVILLE DRIVE, PRICE TOWER RESTAURANT AND PHILLIPS HOUSE

### September

- 15<sup>th</sup> - CAFFEINE AND GASOLENE, THE VINEYARD, 106<sup>TH</sup> & MEMORIAL 9AM-NOON  
 16<sup>th</sup> - SOUTH TULSA BAPTIST CAR SHOW, 1:30PM MEET & GREET, 3PM-6PM SHOW  
 20<sup>th</sup> - MONTHLY MEETING, TRES AMIGOS 81ST & LEWIS, 6:30PM  
 22<sup>nd</sup> - PIONEER WOMAN MERCANTILE AND LUNCH

### October

- TBD - MONTHLY MEETING, CHILI COOKOFF - LOCATION TBD, 6:30PM  
 20<sup>th</sup> - CAFFEINE AND GASOLENE, THE VINEYARD, 106<sup>TH</sup> & MEMORIAL 9AM-NOON

### November

- 3<sup>rd</sup> - MBCA BOARD MEETING, JACKIE COOPER TRAINING ROOM  
 15<sup>th</sup> - MONTHLY MEETING, SIEGIES SAUSAGE FACTORY, 6:30PM

### December

- TBD - MERCEDES-BENZ TOY RUN  
 13<sup>th</sup> - CHRISTMAS PARTY, FREDDIES STEAK HOUSE BANQUET HALL, 6:30PM  
 13<sup>th</sup> - CANNED FOOD DRIVE



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