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Holiday Celebration at the Colonial Country Club, Ft. Worth, TX, Saturday, December 2, 6:30pm.



Fort Worth Section's
Holiday Celebration at the Colonial Country Club

Our 2017 Holiday Dinner-Dance will be at the famous Colonial Country Club, site of the Dean & DeLuca Invitational professional golf tournament. Let us jump start the holidays with a night of good food, entertainment, games, prizes, dancing and camaraderie with our fellow MBCA members. The agenda, menu and other details follow below. Also below is a listing of hotels located very close to our party venue, in case you would like to spend the night nearby.

When: Saturday, December 2, 2017, 6:30pm
Where: Colonial Country Club, 3735 Country Club Circle, Fort Worth, TX 76109, (817) 927-4200.
Dress: Cocktail, Coat and Tie.

Cost and Signup: Please sign up as early as you can so we can give the Colonial an accurate headcount and assure enough food, drink and space for everyone. Family and friends of MBCA members are welcome. The cost of this event will be \$49 per person. Cocktails and wine can be ordered at additional cost. You have 2 ways to pay for the event fee:

1) To pay the event fee online using your credit card:

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Register and send your payment as soon as possible. Email DJ de Jesus, djdejesus@charter.net, (817) 319 3033 to sign up. Make your check payable to MBCA, and send to DJ de Jesus, 4159 Charron Lane, Fort Worth, TX 76116.

AGENDA:

6:30 - COCKTAIL RECEPTION:

Hors d'oeuvres will be served. Cash Bar (cash only, please).

7:30 - DINNER:

Our 3-course menu will include:

Salad: Holiday Iceberg Wedge with Garlic Roasted Grape Tomatoes, Applewood Smoked Bacon and Avocado Ranch Dressing.

Main Course: Duet of Petit Filet Mignon with Bearnaise Sauce and Grilled Sea Bass au Poivre, with Whipped Potatoes, Steamed Asparagus and Baby Carrots.

Dessert: Cranberry Walnut Tart - Sugar dough crust, Almond-Frangipane filling topped with Cranberries and Toasted Walnuts.

Beverages: Coffee and tea included. Wine and other beverages may be ordered at the cash bar at additional cost.

Special Dietary Needs: Please inform DJ de Jesus, djdejesus@charter.net, of special dietary requirements when you book your spot(s). We will then make the arrangements.

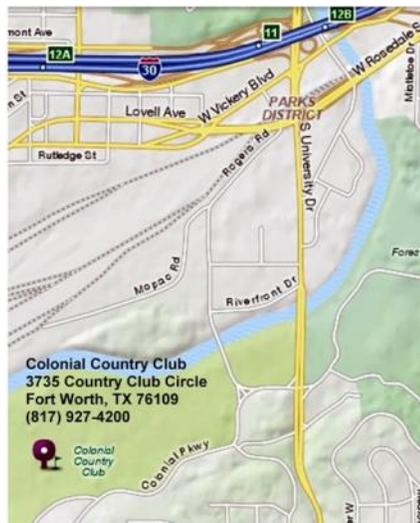
8:45 to ?? - DANCING, ENTERTAINMENT, PRIZES.

Cash Bar (cash only, please): Open throughout the event for liquor, cocktails, beer, wine by the glass, etc.

Parking: You may self-park (free parking on premises), or you may use our prepaid valet parking (no cost to you except for tips).

Nearby Hotels (very close to our party venue):

Courtyard Fort Worth University Drive, 3150 Riverfront Drive, Fort Worth, TX (817) 335-1300
Residence Inn Fort Worth University, 1701 South University Drive, Fort Worth, TX (817) 870-1011
Fairfield Inn & Suites Fort Worth University Drive, 1505 S University Drive, Fort Worth, TX (817) 335-2000
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Fort Worth Section Meetings at Park Place Fort Worth

The Fort Worth Section board meets at 6:00 pm on the first Wednesday of every month. We encourage attendance, suggestions and exchange of ideas from any MBCA member. The meetings are held at Park Place Motorcars Fort Worth, 5601 S Bryant Irvin Road, Fort Worth.



invites you to avail of the 10% discount on parts and service, plus 15% off boutique items, offered to MBCA members. Simply show your current MBCA membership card when paying for these items. Discounts apply at all Park Place dealerships.

Harvest Lunch and Brennan Wine Tasting, Comanche, TX, Saturday, October 21, 8:00am



Join us for a country drive to Comanche, lunch at the highly-rated Harvest Restaurant, and wine-tasting at the Brennan Vineyards. Lunch will be at Harvest Restaurant, a surprisingly upscale establishment in little Comanche. We will order from the lunch menu and pay our own from separate checks. After lunch, we will do some wine-tasting at the beautiful Brennan Vineyards, and have an opportunity to purchase some of Dr. Pat Brennan's highly-regarded wines just in time for the holidays.

NOTE: The Harvest Restaurant is a small establishment. Please expect some wait time for your food as we anticipate a large group, and everything will be prepared fresh only after you order. We suggest you have a good breakfast before the event.

Time and Meeting Place: On Saturday, October 21, at 8:00am (come earlier if you wish to have breakfast), we will meet for a briefing at Starbucks, 4849 Bryant Irvin Road, Fort Worth, TX, just south of I-20, (817) 263-7070 (see map below). It is located in the shopping area to the right of the Chase bank. We will depart immediately after the briefing.

Signup and Fees: We will charge an event fee of \$20 per person for each MBCA member and their immediate family members. Non-members are welcome, and will be charged \$25 each. The event fee will cover the wine-tasting fee at Brennan Vineyards. Pay for your own lunch at Harvest Restaurant. Group gratuity of 20% will be added to your check. Also, you may BYOB to the Harvest Restaurant. Corkage is \$5 per 4 persons.

Important: Please register as soon as possible so we can provide a good headcount to the venues we will visit. We will need to apprise Harvest Restaurant of our headcount as we go, and there is a possibility that we will need to limit our attendance if we have too big of a group. First come, first served. Also, the Chisholm Trail Parkway will be part of our route. Please expect to be billed for tolls.

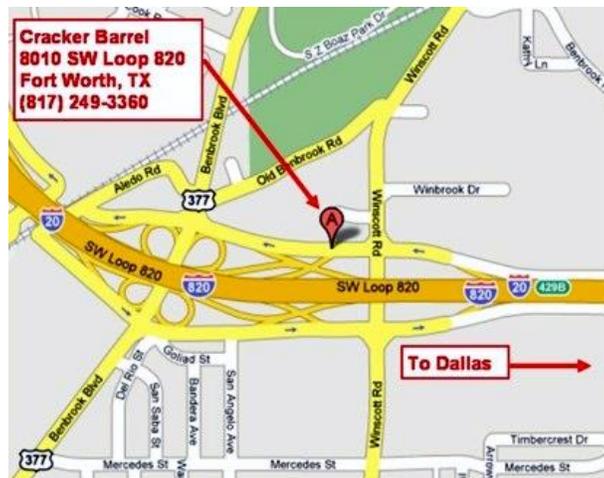
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Say Cheese! Veldhuizen Cheese Factory Tour, Dublin, TX, Saturday, November 11, 10am

Join us for a country drive, lunch at Hard 8 BBQ in Stephenville, and a tour of the Veldhuizen Cheese Factory in Dublin. The tour will include highlights of the cheese-making process, plus visits to their cheese aging cave and their Blue Cheese aging room. You will also see the baby calves and the milking parlor. We will sample cheeses which the factory makes, and perhaps try some you have never tasted before. Should you choose to purchase some cheese, and we recommend you do, your cheeses will be cut to order and will be as fresh as can be. Bring some wine (and glasses) to enhance your cheese factory experience. Also bring lawn chairs so we can enjoy the (hopefully) great early November weather outside. Please note - the factory accepts only cash for purchases.



Time and Meeting Place: At 10am (come earlier if you wish to have breakfast), we will meet for a briefing at the Cracker Barrel at 8010 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth (I-20 and Winscott Road, west of Fort Worth), (817) 249-3360 (see map below). We will depart immediately after the briefing.

Cost & Signup: We will charge an event fee of \$5 per person for MBCA members and their immediate family. The fee will cover the cheese tour and some other sundries. Non-members are welcome, and will be charged \$10 each. You may also purchase some cheeses from the factory store. Note the cheese store only accepts cash. Pay for your own lunch at Hard 8 BBQ. Please register and send your event fee as soon as possible. You have 2 ways to pay:

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Prior Event Report - Mammoth Monument & Magnolia Market, Waco, TX, July 8, 2017



En Route to Waco.

Twenty-eight folks in 13 cars enjoyed a country drive, a fascinating guided tour of a major paleontological site, and a visit to Chip & Joanna Gaines' Magnolia Market in Waco.

The Waco Mammoth National Monument is the site of the largest concentration of mammoths which died in the same event, believed to be a flash flood. Sixteen skeletons were first discovered. These remains were transported to a museum in Baylor University. A second discovery in the same site comprised a large bull, a female, 2 juveniles and a camel, believed to have died in a later flash flood. A building was erected to protect the remains, and the site was opened to the public.



Attempted group picture.

After our visit to the mammoth dig site, we proceeded to the Magnolia Market at the Silos, which was turned into an urban attraction by Chip & Joanna Gaines of HGTV's "Fixer-Upper" fame. It includes a home goods store owned by the pair. Before its development and renovation, the place was just 2 run-down silos in a downtrodden industrial area near downtown Waco.

Lunch was at the Magnolia Market, where members shopped the food trucks for comfort food like hamburgers, BBQ or Tex-Mex.



Lecture on the Ice Age, and how the mammoth remains got here.



The Silos.



Enjoying lunch and a chat at the Market.



The dig is protected inside a park structure.



Female mammoth fossil.



Magnolia Market.

Prior Event Report - George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum, August 12, 2017



A poignant reminder of 9-11.



Lunch at Café 43.

Forty-one folks enjoyed a perfect event for a hot August day. Located in the Southern Methodist University campus in Dallas, the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum is the 13th Presidential Library and Museum to be established in the United States, and the 3rd in Texas.

The library contains millions of presidential records from the George W. Bush administration. Museum exhibits include A Nation Under Attack, Life in the White House, the interactive Decision Points Theater, a full-size replica of the White House Oval Office, and massive 20-foot-tall, 360-degree LED screen showing high-definition multimedia clips blending art, history, and entertainment. The feature exhibit is Portraits of Courage, a collection of paintings of veterans by President Bush to honor their courage and sacrifice.

After seeing the museum exhibits, we enjoyed lunch at the highly-regarded Cafe 43, located inside the museum.



Group shot by the Bush Museum.



If DJ Trump can do it, so can I.



The Trautmans at the Portraits of Courage exhibit.

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1980 450SL. Red w/Black interior. Original interior in excellent condition. Runs and drives great. 63030 original miles. (5) New Michelin tires. A/C needs work and needs a new soft top. The frame for the top is like new. Asking \$16,000. Call Robyn at 817-821-0375.

1998 C43 AMG. Silver / Black/Silver interior. 85k miles. 4.3 Liter normally-aspirated AMG V8. Two-tone interior. AMG Monoblock wheels. Sunroof. Magnificent car & ride. \$8000 OBO. Michele Kelsey, MKelseyPT@aol.com.

2000 SL500. Silver/Grey. 142k miles. New black soft top & headliner. New upholstery. Black hardtop w/ suede headliner. New tires and front brake pads. Garage-kept. \$12,500 OBO. Dan Saldana, 817-975-9237.

2001 E55 AMG. Designo edition. 139k miles. 5.5-liter AMG V8, 355 hp and 391 ft-lb of torque. Dark chocolate on the outside and milk chocolate on the inside. Loaded. Super Clean inside and out. Serviced at Park Place dealer. No accidents. \$11,480. silvershadowbeliever@yahoo.com.

Customized Mercedes-Benz SLR Leather Jacket. From Mammoth Collection. Size is Small but on the large side. Try before you buy. Similar item in eBay for \$1750. Yours for \$600. Diki Terry, dterry@parkplace.com.

Misc. W123 Parts. All parts from 1982 240D. Two bumpers w/shocks, 7 hub caps, original first aid kit, Zebrano wood ash tray and cup holder, ignition switch w/key and gas pedal rubber covering. For more information call James Hannon, 817-294-0206.

Prior Event Report - Park Place Luxury & Supercar Showcase, Las Colinas, TX, September 9, 2017



Paun Peters and his newly-acquired Pagoda.

The Park Place Dealerships' Automobile Showcase was held at the Four Seasons Resort and Club Dallas in Las Colinas. The event benefited the Momentous Institute, which is committed to building and repairing the social and emotional health of children.

At least five club cars were entered in the Invitational Car Show. A good number of members opted to enjoy the event without showing their cars. Private owners and collectors lined up their supercars, luxury, sports and classic cars of all ages. The quality of the entrants was impressive - many rare and valuable cars which would do well in any *Concours* were shown. Some were Pebble Beach veterans. In addition, the various Park Place dealerships lined up their most premium automotive offerings - Rolls-Royce, Bentley, McLaren, Bugatti, Maserati, Mercedes-Benz, Porsche, Jaguar and more. Park Place knows how to throw a party - the cars, food, drink, the venue, and their event planning and organization were all excellent.



The 1925 Rolls in the background won Best of Show.

After the event, Chris and Teresa Watt held a cocktail reception for club members at their nearby home. Many thanks to the Watts for their hospitality.



Cecile de Jesus & Mark Tirschler.



Near-perfect 300SL Roadster. Maybe perfect.



AJ Sherrill's Audi R8.



Park Place Supercars. Want one?



Mark Tirschler's beautiful 280SL.



Glen Bieler and his 560SL.

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(List additional cars elsewhere)

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Overseas and Canadians: use international money orders in U.S. funds. Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express also accepted.

Applicant's signature _____

Fort Worth Section

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