

FEATURE EVENT (more events below): Park Place Event: Luxury & Supercar Showcase, Four Seasons Resort & Club, Las Colinas, TX, Saturday, October 13, 10am-4pm.



This unique luxury lifestyle and auto showcase will take place on the rolling hills of Four Seasons Resort and Club Dallas at Las Colinas and feature some of the world's most exciting luxury and high-performance vehicles. At this ticketed event, guests will enjoy the Collectors Concours Invitational Car Show, a fashion display by Highland Park Village, presentations/meet and greets with industry experts, live entertainment, and a Kid's Zone perfect for the up-and-coming aficionados. There will be something for everyone! This event benefits the Momentous Institute. Sign up directly with Park Place to attend the Showcase and/or to show your car. For more details, go to our website, www.mbcafortworth.org, click the [Event Calendar](#) button, then select this event.

Immediately following the Park Place event, Chris and Teresa Watt are inviting club attendees to a social at their nearby home. Their address is also on the event details posted on the above website. Let us know if you are attending this social. Email DJ de Jesus at djdejesus@charter.net or call him at 817-319-3033.

George H. W. Bush Library and Museum, College Station, TX Saturday, August 25, 8:15am.



Located in the Texas A&M campus in College Station, the Bush Library core exhibits tell the story of the life and times of George H. W. Bush, 41st President of the United States. Family-friendly and educational exhibits guide visitors through an interactive tour of the museum. View replicas of President Bush's Camp David Office and White House Press Room, and receive a briefing on the Gulf War in the Situation Room. Have your picture made while seated at the desk in the replica Oval Office. Also housed in the museum is a restored 1944 TBM Avenger torpedo bomber which Bush flew as a Navy pilot in World War II, a flight simulator where you can try to land the Avenger on an aircraft carrier, the presidential limousine, a section of the Berlin Wall, and much more. You may also wish to visit the gravesite of Barbara and Robin Bush, and the future resting place of George H. W. Bush. The gravesite is a short walk away from the facility. The current featured rotating exhibit is Machines in Motion. Experience the genius of Leonardo da Vinci through over 30 machines based on his visionary designs during the Renaissance. Each machine has been faithfully constructed from da Vinci's notebooks by a modern team of scientists and craftsmen.

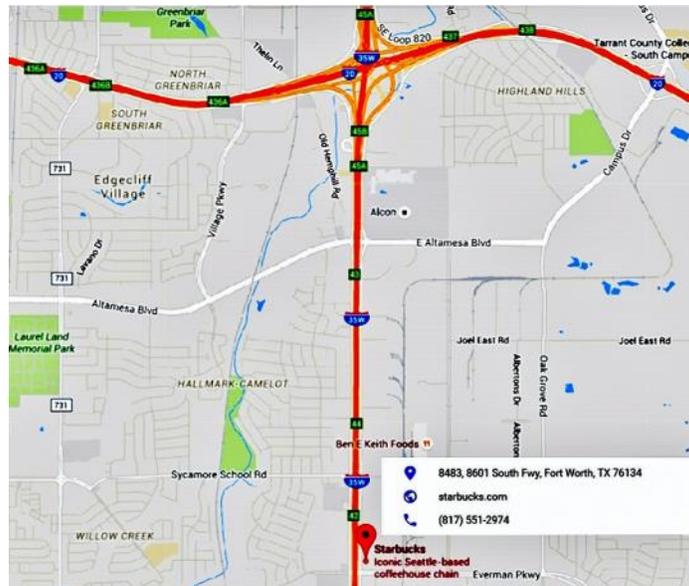
The time you want to spend at the facility is up to you - you can spend many hours studying the legacy of the Bush presidency. We have booked a visit for the club at significantly lower group rates. See below to pay. Lunch will be at the nearby C&J BBQ, also located inside the Texas A&M campus. Lunch is pay your own..

Cost and Signup: Our group rate is \$6 per person. We will collect the admission fee in advance so we can pay with one check and save some time. Lunch is pay your own. Please register and send your admission fee as soon as possible so we can provide a timely headcount to the museum and restaurant.

1) **To pay the event fee online :**
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2) **To pay with a check:**
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 Charon Lane, Fort Worth, TX 76116.

Directions: We will meet 8:15am, Saturday, August 25 at Starbucks, 8601 South Fwy, Fort Worth, TX. It is located by I-35W south of I-20. From I-35W South exit Everman Pkwy and make a U-turn under the bridge. The Starbucks will be on your right. Arrive earlier if you wish to have breakfast.



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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.

Crafts, Cheese and BBQ! Waco, TX, Saturday, September 22, 8:45am.



Join us for a country drive to Waco, a BBQ lunch, a craft village visit, and wine-and-cheese! Lunch will be at the Red Wagon BBQ, which serves about the best BBQ anywhere. We will have an early lunch to avoid the crowd. Then, we will visit the Homestead Craft Village, established by folks who have decided to simplify their lives with old skills. old traditions and living low-tech. See the pottery shop, woodworking shop, blacksmith forge, water-powered grist mill, textile shop, gift shop and more, all immaculately maintained. The people who run these establishments are very nice and will answer any questions you may have in great detail. This village and way of life has been featured in Texas Country Reporter some years ago. Last, we will visit Brazos Valley Cheese, makers of excellent cheeses which you can purchase to take home. BYOB so you can enjoy some wine and cheese at their shaded picnic area and rest before your trip home.

SCHEDULE (all Waco locations are less of a mile of each other):

08:45am: Meet at the Starbucks on 4849 Bryant Irvin Rd, Fort Worth. Depart after briefing.

11:00am: Lunch at Red Wagon BBQ, 169 Halbert Ln, Waco. Pay your own.

12:15pm: Homestead Craft Village. Park at Café Homestead, 608 Dry Creek Rd, Waco, TX. At the village, walk and visit the shops on your own.

01:45pm: Brazos Valley Cheese, 206 Halbert Ln, Waco. Sample and purchase your favorite cheeses. BYOB to enjoy wine with a cheese tray, included in event fee.

NOTE: You may return to the Craft Village on your own if you wish to spend more time there.

Cost and Signup: We will charge an event fee of \$5 per person for MBCA members and their immediate family. The fee will cover the Brazos Valley Cheese tray and other sundries. Non-members are welcome, and will be charged \$10 each. Lunch at Red Wagon BBQ is pay your own. Please register and send your event fee as soon as possible. You have 2 ways to pay:

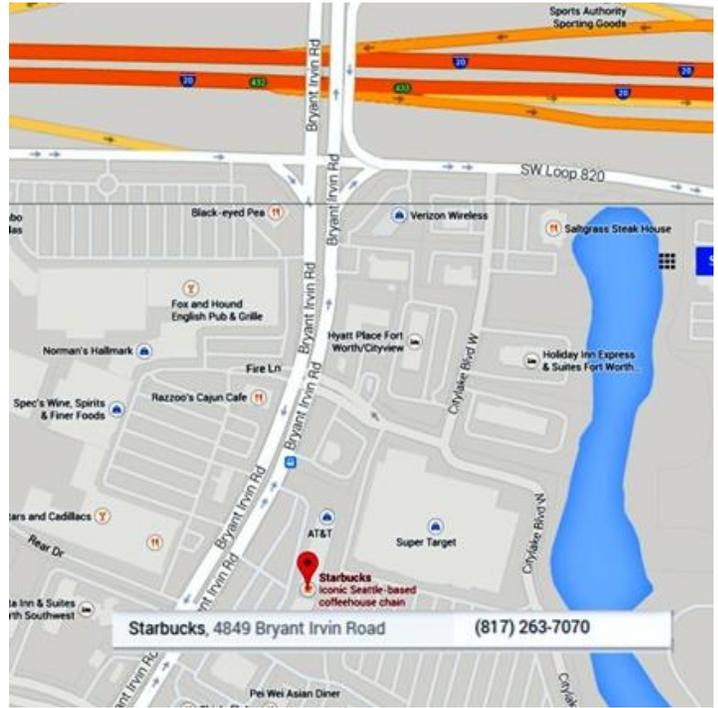
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Meeting Place: At 8:45am, we will meet for a briefing at the Starbucks on 4849 Bryant Irvin Rd, Fort Worth, just south of I-20, (817) 263-7070 (see map). We will depart immediately after the briefing.



2018 EVENT CALENDAR

August 25:	<u>George H W Bush Museum, College Station, TX *</u>	(Saturday)
September 22:	<u>Crafts, Cheese & BBQ! Waco, TX *</u>	(Saturday)
October 13:	<u>Park Place's Luxury & Supercar Showcase *</u>	(Saturday)
November 10:	<u>Fall Touring Event</u>	(Saturday)
December 8:	<u>Holiday Celebration</u>	(Saturday)

*** Event details available. Please note all events are subject to change as plans progress.**

MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

Pictures of all items can be seen on the [Classifieds](#) page of the Fort Worth Section website, www.mbcafortworth.org.

Fort Worth Section Polos, Camp Shirts and Caps! Our beautiful Polos (good color assortment) are made with cool, stay-dry fabric. Consider also our nice Camp Shirts - they look great and are easy to wear. All shirts come with an embroidered MBCA, Fort Worth Section logo. Only \$30 each if picked up, add \$5 per shirt if you want it shipped. Men's L and XL, and ladies' M, L, and XL sizes available. No more worries on what to wear during our events. Our Fort Worth Section Caps are a perfect match for our shirts! High-quality New Era brand custom-fit caps. Embroidered MBCA, Fort Worth Section logo. Only \$20 each if picked up, add \$5 per cap if you want it shipped. As these are custom-fit caps, please specify Small-to-Medium or Medium-to-Large size. Contact Jim Hannon, jameshannon@charter.net, (817) 294-0206.

1980 Mercedes 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. If no answer please leave message.

1983 Mercedes 380SL. V8, hard/soft tops, Champagne metallic/leather. 60k miles. Excellent mechanicals, needs some interior refurb. One owner. \$16k. 817-261-7605. mjupton@sbcglobal.net.

2011 E350 Cabriolet. Triple black convertible. 88,000 miles and all available options. 4 new Michelin tires. Excellent condition inside and out. 2nd owner and always a Texas car. \$18,500. Please contact Greg Irwin at 817-360-2862.

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. All items are located in Fort Worth, Texas.

Prior Event Report - Texas Hill Country Run - Gruene! April 14 & 15, 2018



Link-up in Marble Falls.

The twelfth edition of our Hill Country Run was an overnighter near Gruene, TX. Forty-three members in 22 cars from Fort Worth, Lone Star, North Texas and Texas Hill Country sections attended.

On Saturday we made our way to Gruene on roads less traveled. Fort Worth and North Texas members linked up with attendees from Lone Star and Hill Country sections for lunch at the River City Grill in Marble Falls. After lunch, we enjoyed a hilly, twisty, scenic Hill Country drive to Gruene. After we got settled at the Wingate Hotel in New Braunfels, we made our way to the Gruene River Grill, our dinner venue in the heart of the Gruene Historic District. Some of us elected to stay at the restaurant for drinks and appetizers before dinner, while others availed of the opportunity to explore the Historic District on foot and to see Gruene's famous Dance Hall.

After a delicious dinner, we played a Mercedes-Benz version of the Left Right Envelope Pass Game in the hotel's meeting room. Each member was given a sealed envelope - 5 of them were prize envelopes. The envelopes were passed around once or twice left or right according to "directions" in a made-up story read by Chris Watt. There were over a hundred lefts, rights, double-lefts and double-rights in the story - we try not to go overboard on these games. At story's end, the envelopes were opened. The winners were:

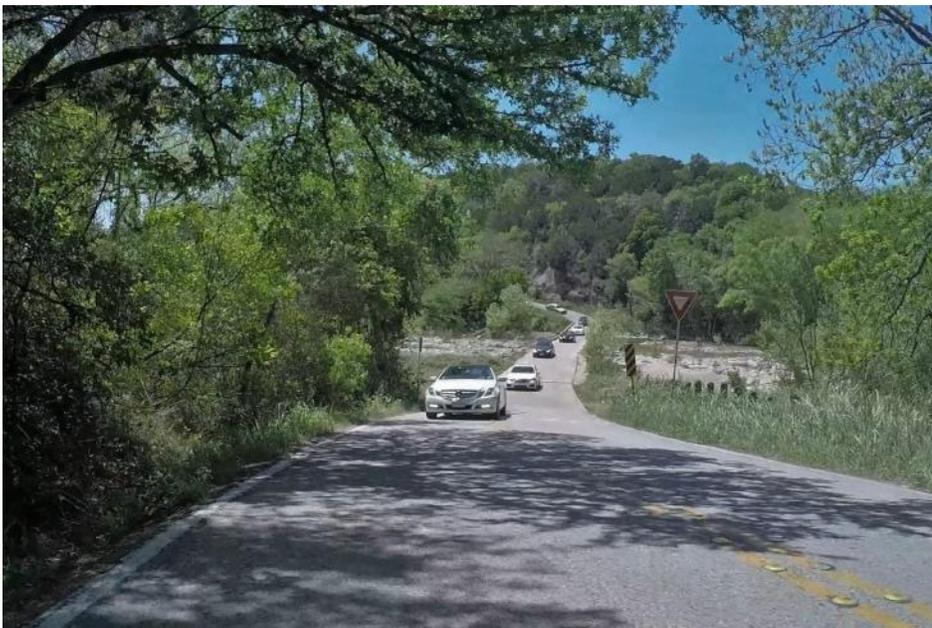
- 1st: Beverly Darilek (Lone Star)
- 2nd: Ban Lean (Texas Hill Country) and Lee Melugin (Lone Star)
- 3rd: Judy Popham (Fort Worth) and Mike Smith (Lone Star)

The rest of the evening was spent catching up with old friends and making new ones - the camaraderie made even more enjoyable with drinks and snacks provided by the Lone Star Section.

On Sunday, we enjoyed another scenic drive as we made our way to Driftwood for lunch at the famous Salt Lick BBQ, the original one. After lunch, we said our goodbyes and made our way home on our own. It was yet another fun and memorable Texas Hill Country Run.



A break during the journey.



En route to Gruene.



At the famous Gruene Hall.



Lone Star at the Gruene River Grill.



Envelope game in full swing.



Arrival at Salt Lick BBQ in Driftwood.



Enjoying a great BBQ lunch.

Prior Event Report - Greystone Castle Safari & Lunch, Mingus, TX, May 19, 2018



En route to Mingus.

Twenty-four members (the most that our venue can accommodate) in 11 cars enjoyed a great drive to Mingus, a delicious lunch at the Greystone Castle Sporting Club, and a safari-style tour of its grounds.

Greystone Castle is a unique, first class facility, turrets and all, located on 6500 acres of ranchland and hunting grounds. It sits on a hill and offers a majestic view of the surrounding area below. For this event we embarked on a safari-style tour of the grounds on 3 4x4 trucks and an ATV. The staff even allowed Ron Sturgeon and Linda Allen to drive their G500 4x4 Squared on the trail. The weather held and we saw more animals than expected. Deer, antelope, bison and others were out in the open.



Group pic at the castle grounds.

After the safari tour, we enjoyed a fixed-menu lunch in the ranch's dining room. After lunch, many of us climbed the stairs to the castle's walls and turrets and enjoyed the scenery below.

Greystone Castle is located by the ghost town of Thurber, which was wholly owned by The Texas and Pacific Coal Company. Thurber was a major brick and coal center in its heyday, attracting a population of 10,000 from eighteen nationalities. Some of us opted to visit a nearby park to see original Thurber buildings preserved there before heading home on our own.



Ron Sturgeon and Linda Allen on the trail in their G500 4x4 Squared.



Deer running wild and free.



Breathtaking scenery below the turret.



All set for the safari tour.



A couple of American Bison (background).



Lunch at the lodge dining room.

Prior Event Report - Food 'n' Fun Rally, Tolar, TX, June 16, 2018



En route to Tolar.

Our Food 'n' Fun Poker Rally took us to Tolar, TX on this fine summer day. Sixteen members and their 7 cars met at the Cracker Barrel in Benbrook to kick off the event with a briefing and to receive their first poker card. We began our country drive and stopped at Godley High School, where the second card was handed out. Our next stop, and rest break, was at the Exxon travel center just outside Glen Rose where we drew the third card. The owner was adamant to have his and the manager's picture taken with us and our cars before we left.

We took a little detour to the Tolar Windmill Farm for our next poker stop. The farm is home to around 30 restored windmills (and others in work) on the 26-acre property. We were fortunate to run into the owners, Chuck & Ruby Rickgauer, who showed us their most prized windmills, some originally made in the early 1900's.

Our final destination was Garcia's Mexican Restaurant in Tolar. Some members BYOB'd to enjoy a nice Tex-Mex lunch with their favorite libation. The last poker card was handed out and members exchanged cards in a last-minute effort to improve their hands.

The winners took home prizes from the Mercedes-Benz Collection. They were:

- Best Hand, Don Gormley, Mercedes-Benz Wall Clock
- Second, Dan Patz, Sprinter Socket and Screwdriver Set
- Third, Judy Popham, Mercedes-Benz Star Wine Stopper.



Card stop in Godley.



At the windmill farm in Tolar.



Rest stop in Glen Rose.



Chris Watt explains the game rules.



Visiting with Don Key Hote.



Lunch at . . .



No caption needed.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have received a paper copy of our newsletter via the USPS, this means that we are unable to contact you via email. Maybe your email address has changed or you have not provided one to the club.

To receive more timely information on the club (and maybe help save a tree or two), please provide a valid email address along with your name and member number (it is on the mailing label) to RYANNE DIAS of the MBCA national office. Her email address is ryanne@mbca.org. Your email address will be used for MBCA correspondence only. Thanks!!

MBCA Membership Application
 Please print clearly

Full Name _____

Associate member (spouse or dependent) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Business phone _____

E-mail address _____

Mercedes-Benz cars now owned (model and year): _____

(List additional cars elsewhere)

Interest: (please check) driving events car shows social events

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Please enroll me as a member of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America for the following term (check one):

U.S. and possessions: 1 year (\$55) 2 years (\$107) 3 years (\$157)

Make check payable to MBCA; Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express also accepted.

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Applicant's signature _____

Fort Worth Section

Section preference (or we will assign by zip code)

Sponsor's name and member number (not required)

Visa MasterCard

Discover American Express Exp. Date _____

Account number _____

Or use www.mbca.org or telephone us at: **800/637-2360** 8 AM – 5 PM (Mountain Time)

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