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FEATURE EVENT!
Nawlins Crawfish Boil, Crowley, TX, Saturday, March 23, 11:30am.

Fellow members Ernest & Diane Castillo are hosting a jen-yoo-wine Cajun Crawfish Boil for the club at their home in Crowley. Can't think of a better way to spend a spring afternoon. Jim & Sean Hannon will be doin' the cookin'. All we gotta do is be a-peelin' and eatin'. Make sure to BYOB to wash it all down. Lots of crawdad boiled with real Louisiana spices, plus sausage and corn. Yow!

When: Saturday, March 23, 11:30am
Where: 1809 Valley View Road in Crowley
Beverages: Bring your own.

Cost and Signup: The cost for the crawfish boil will be $25 per person for MBCA members and their immediate family members. The non-member fee is $30 per person. You may pay with your credit card or by check. Please let us know you are coming as soon as possible so we have ample food for everyone.

1) To pay the event fee online using your credit card:
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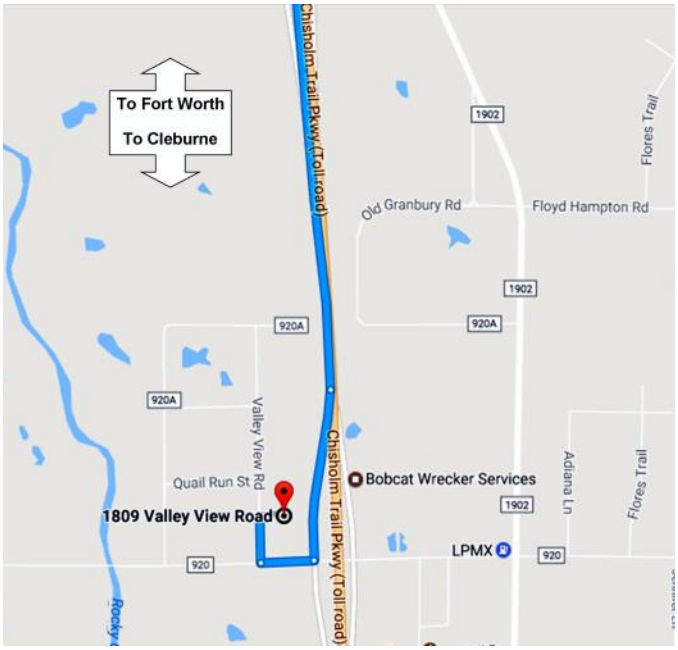
2) To pay with a check:
Register and send your payment as soon as possible. Email DJ de Jesus, **djdejesus@charter.net**, or call (817) 319-3033 to sign up. Make your check payable to MBCA, and send to DJ de Jesus, 4159 Charron Lane, Fort Worth, TX 76116.

Directions:
Proceed directly to Ernest Castillo's home at 1809 Valley View Road in Crowley. From Fort Worth, head south on the Chisholm Trail Parkway toll road. Take the County Road 920 exit then turn right (west) on CR-920. Turn right (north) on Valley View Rd. Third house on the right.



2019 EVENT CALENDAR

February 2:	**SOLD OUT! Pre-Valentine Dinner at Silver Fox ***	**(Saturday)**
March 23:	**Nawlins Crawfish Boil, Crowley, TX ***	**(Saturday)**
April 6-7:	**Texas Hill Country Run**	**(Sat & Sun)**
May 17-19:	**Regional Event - Red River Concours, Fort Worth, TX**	**(Fri - Sun)**
June 22:	**Q&A Rally**	**(Saturday)**
July 13:	**Texas History Tour**	**(Saturday)**
August 10:	**Keep Kool Event**	**(Saturday)**
September 14:	**Food 'n' Fun Road Trip**	**(Saturday)**
October 19:	**German Day**	**(Saturday)**
November 9:	**Fall Touring Event**	**(Saturday)**
December 7:	**Holiday Celebration, The City Club, Fort Worth, TX**	**(Saturday)**

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

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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.

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SOLD OUT, WAITING LIST OPEN. **Pre-Valentine Dinner at Silver Fox, Fort Worth, TX, Saturday, February 2, 6:30pm.**

To get on the waiting list, go to our website, **www.mbcafortworth.org**, click the **Event Calendar** button, then select this event. When your spots are confirmed, please sign up as soon as you can so we can assure adequate accommodations for dinner.

We will have our Pre-Valentine Dinner at Silver Fox, one of Fort Worth's fine dining destinations. Our group menu for this event offers excellent choices for a great dining experience. We will dine in a private room, after which we will play one of our famous games. Lucky winners go home with great prizes.

When: Saturday, February 2, 2019.
Time: 6:30pm.
Dress: Business Casual.
Where: Silver Fox is located at 1651 South University Drive in Fort Worth, (817) 332-9060. See map below.

Parking: Complimentary valet parking is available. Or, you can self-park for free at the parking garage behind the restaurant.

Group Menu (three-course dinner included in the event fee):

1) First Course: Mixed Field Greens Salad

2) Main Course - Choice of:
6 oz. Filet Mignon or Sea Bass,
served with off the cob cream corn, sugar snap peas and whipped potatoes

3) Third Course - Choice of Chocolate Cake or Cheese Cake

Tea and coffee included.

Wine, beer and other libations are extra-cost items available via cash bar.

Cost and Signup:
The 3-course dinner is included in the event fee. Once we let you know that space is available, pay the event fee to secure your spot(s). The cost of this event will be $55 per person for MBCA members and their immediate families, and $65 per person for non-members.

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

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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.

1999 SL 500 Sport. Like new, fully loaded, 55,000 miles, Smoked Silver/Tan, garage kept, authorized Mercedes dealer maintained. $18,500. Call for information, Doug Vining, 817-247-4764. Leave message if no answer. Or email at dougvining@gmail.com.

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. $17,250. 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 - Fall Overnighter, San Angelo, TX, November 3-4, 2018

Most of the group at the Riverwalk entrance.

At the San Angelo Visitor Center.

Twenty-six folks in 14 cars enjoyed a fun-filled Texas History themed overnight event in San Angelo, TX. In addition to the many attractions the city offers, San Angelo was once the wool and mohair capital of the world, a title now held by Australia. Our hotel headquarters was the new Residence Inn San Angelo, and all our meals were at local flavor restaurants.

On Saturday, we made our way to San Angelo on roads less traveled. We visited Fort Concho, which was built in 1867 to protect frontier settlements, patrol and map the vast West Texas region, and quell hostile threats in the area. It housed up to 500 men from some of the most famous frontier units after the Civil War. After we got settled in our hotel, we had a private tour of Miss Hattie's Bordello Museum. Miss Hattie's was an infamous house of ill repute from the turn of the 20th century until the Texas Rangers shut it down in the 1950s. We accessed the bordello through Legend Jewelers, a San Angelo jewelry store which crafts and sells jewelry with Concho River pearls, found only in the Tampico pearlymussel in the Concho River and its environs. After dinner, we returned to our hotel to play another of our world-famous games – Mark Tirschler, Billie Williams and Scott Williamson each won a $50 prize. After the game, we spent the rest of the evening catching up with old friends, and hopefully making new ones, at the social in the meeting room.

On Sunday, we explored the San Angelo Riverwalk, which we accessed via the magnificent saddle-shaped San Angelo Visitor Center and its beautifully-maintained grounds. The center also featured mosaic art on its grounds. After the Riverwalk activity, we visited the International Water Lily Collection where Ken Landon, the owner of the collection, gave us a private tour. The park houses only 1/2 of 1% of the water lilies he owns and cares for, so he rotates the exhibit every year. We timed the visit to increase the chances of the weather-sensitive plants blooming while we were there. After lunch, we made our way home on our own.

The lineup for this event.

Rhonda Williamson & Cecile de Jesus, Fort Concho.

Mosaic art at the Riverwalk.

Miss Hattie's Bordello tour.

At the International Water Lily Collection.

Examining Concho pearls at Legend Jewelers.

Prior Event Report - Holiday Celebration at the Colonial Country Club, Fort Worth, TX, December 15, 2018

Cecile & DJ de Jesus, Ginny & Arno Pitzen, Teresa & Chris Watt.

The Colonial Country Club is always a great venue.

The Fort Worth Section's 2018 Holiday Dinner-Dance was held at Fort Worth's famous Colonial Country Club. Arriving members were welcomed with an hors d'oeuvres reception, giving everyone a chance to catch up and get to know new folks.

We sat down to a nice 3-course dinner, which featured a Duet of Filet Mignon and Salmon & Crab Meat Roulade as the main course. After dinner, gamemaster Larry Vaughn kicked off the Christmas Catapult Game. Teams were formed and each team member launched foam balls at the target with a catapult. The three teams with the most points won prizes for each member. The scores were tallied and the proud winners emerged. They were:

1st Place: Team B - Scott Williamson, Nicki Branville, Doug Vining and Anna Clayton. Each member won a Mercedes-Benz cooler satchel.

2nd Place: Team E - Hugh Graves, Linda Stack, Bruce Johnson, Dannie Hannon and Scott Pinkston. Each member won a Fort Worth Section lawn chair.

3rd Place: Team G - Jim Hannon, Lois Parrott, Ginny Pitzen and Sam Pearson. Each member won a Mercedes-Benz stemless wine glass set.

The rest of the evening was spent on the dance floor to the beat of music selections played by our DJs, Wen & Lily Grio. Special thanks to Kris Ikejiri, whose photos captured the spirit of this event.

Scott Williamson lines up his catapult shot.

Brett Jurick, Teresa Watt, Mike Tirschler.

Sam Pearson. We having fun yet?

Cecile de Jesus and Larry Vaughn run our game.

Team B with their loot.

Time to dance.

Prior Event Report - Winter Getaway ,Tara Vineyard & Winery, Athens, TX, Saturday, January 12

Reception at the Murchison House.

Short walk to our lunch venue.

Thirty-two members in fifteen cars attended our first event of the year, joined us for a country drive to Athens, a wine and hors d'oeuvre reception at a turn-of-the-previous-century home, lunch and wine-tasting at the Tara Vineyard and Winery. Despite cold and wet weather the night before, the sun came out and the skies were blue on the day of our event.

Our reception was at the former home of Clint Murchison Sr. His son Clint Jr. owned the Dallas Cowboys which won two Super Bowls during the Tom Landry era. The house was moved in several pieces from Downtown Athens to the winery and now serves as an inn.

After the reception, we enjoyed lunch at the winery, making our selections from a group menu which was specially prepared for us by Executive Chef Brian Kirksey. We also presented the 2018 Member of the Year award to Ernest and Yolanda Borroel for their great service to the club.

After lunch, we toured the winery and had a tasting of 5 wines at the winery's barrel room, and we had a chance to purchase some of their highly-regarded wines.

The Murchison House dominates the vineyard.

Happy group!

Wine-tasting.

Time for lunch.

Yolanda and Ernest Borroel - 2018 Members of the Year!

Winery tour. With wine, of course.

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Section preference (or we will assign by zip code) ***Fort Worth Section***

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