



San Francisco Bay Area Section, Mercedes-Benz Club of America

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[Member Appreciation Holiday Party - Blackhawk Automotive Museum](#)



Our Member Appreciation Holiday Party at the famed Blackhawk Automotive Museum in Danville is quickly approaching. Just imagine starting the Holiday Season among friends and fellow auto enthusiasts enjoying a world-class buffet surrounded by one of a kind automobiles. Truly, it's an event not to be missed!

The event will begin at 11:30am with a collection of Mercedes-Benzes parked on the Plaza that you'll want to admire. Our Board Members will greet and direct you to the Automotive Dining Room, where you'll enjoy an extraordinary buffet with an extensive menu prepared by Scott's Seafood. There will be imported cheeses, chilled prawns, crab pasta salad, prime rib and parmesan-encrusted chicken, just to name a few. And enjoy endless champagne and mimosas, and/or a drink of your choice from the no-host bar. The dessert table will tempt even those who can't eat another bite, from Noon-2:30pm. The Board will be presenting members that attend with their anniversary pins based on 5-year intervals. You'll receive notification ahead of time if you are receiving a pin. Following the meal, we'll have private docent-led tours from 2:30-3:30pm and then time on your own to take a second look at your favorite cars or visit "The Spirit of the Old West" exhibition that nearly occupies the second floor of the museum representing the history of the American Westward Expansion ranging from the mid 1700's through the early 1900's. We have complete use of the museum until 5:00 pm.

As this is our Member Appreciation celebration, the San Francisco Bay Area section is subsidizing a portion of the registration fee. Imagine all of this for only \$55.00 per person. Sign up for the event on [MotorsportReg](#).

This year, in lieu of raffle prizes, the San Francisco Bay Area section will make a charitable donation to The Napa Valley Community Foundation, www.napavalleycf.org, providing assistance to those that lost so much in the recent fires. We chose this organization because 95% of the proceeds received go directly to those affected. For those that wish to make an individual contribution, we will have a drop box available.

The dress code is Holiday Attire. Please, no jeans. Remember to wear your name badges. If you don't have one, there's still time to order one through mbca.org Parking spaces are available on the right side of museum and in the main shopping center in front. We look forward to seeing you!



MBCA/SFBA 2017 Events

December

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Blackhawk Holiday Party Social
Organizers: Gloria Loventhal &
Lou Piccinini

Welcome New Members

Howard Bull, Mountain View
David Katz, Saratoga
Gordon Miller, Danville
Gary Pieroni, Martinez
Mark Yowe, Alamo



**Your suggestions for club activities are always welcome!
Please feel free to contact your Officers to talk about any
club-related matter!**

**Visit our club website for up-to-date information on club
events.**

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The following officers have been elected:

Lou Piccinini - President
Barton Lane - Vice President
Sally Hinds - Secretary
Mauna Wagner - Treasurer (but looking toward training a replacement)

Other Events of Interest



Biscotti and Cars
First Saturday Each Month
Sausalito



Canepa Cars and Coffee
Second Saturday Each Month

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