



San Francisco Bay Area Section, Mercedes-Benz Club of America
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Sailing Into the Holidays



Our Member Appreciation Holiday Party on Saturday, December 1st, at the Spinnaker Restaurant, is quickly approaching. Come and start the holiday season among friends and fellow auto enthusiasts enjoying a sumptuous buffet in a private room with panoramic views of the Sausalito waterfront, San Francisco skyline, seals and sailboats.

The event will begin at 11:15 a.m., with a Show and Shine in the parking lot in front of the restaurant. It's limited to 20 vehicles, so sign up quickly and reserve your spot through MSR! Complimentary parking is available for all other cars at the Spinnaker. At 11:45 a.m., our Board Members will greet you as you enter the private banquet room where you'll start with complimentary champagne and mouth-watering hors d'oeuvres. At 12:15 p.m., the buffet will begin with main courses consisting of Penne Pasta with grilled Chicken, Petrale Sole encrusted with Macadamia Nut Crust and Buerre Blanc with Capers and Lemon (a Spinnaker signature dish), along with Sliced Whole New York Sirloin with Green Peppercorn Sauce. You will receive a drink ticket for a complimentary glass of wine and or soft drinks. There will be a no-host bar to enjoy your favorite cocktail, wine or beer. The dessert table will tempt even those who can't eat another bite. You'll have to have strong willpower to pass up the Tiramisu, Chocolate Decadence Cake or Berry Trifle. Coffee and Tea are included. Thanks to Bill Manson, Food and Beverage Manager at the Spinnaker Restaurant and one of our section members, for making this event possible and special.

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 \$60.00 per person. Sign up for the event on [MotorsportReg](#).

The Board will be presenting members who attend with their anniversary pins based on 5-year intervals. You'll receive notification ahead of time if you are receiving a pin.

We will introduce our incoming Executive Board Officers and learn about our 2019 Event Calendar.

There will be a raffle that will include a dinner for 2 at the Spinnaker Restaurant. In addition, we are supporting the Toys for Tots program, and for each toy brought you will receive an extra raffle ticket.

Should you wish to make it a weekend, there are 3 local hotels that are within walking distance. They are the Casa Madrona Suites and Spa, Hotel Sausalito & Suites, and The Inn above Tide. There are also many local shops to browse and begin your holiday shopping.

Dress is daytime holiday attire.





Executive Board 2019

Congratulations to our new President, Mikey Vasquez, and our new Secretary, Denise Sheehan!

President	Mikey Vasquez	(619) 734-1529
Vice President	Dr. Barton Lane	(650) 948-2492
Secretary	Denise Sheehan	(925) 683-2708
Treasurer	Nadine Prah	(510) 486-0375
Past President	Lou Piccinini	(650) 697-1618

2018 First Sunday Drives (FSD)

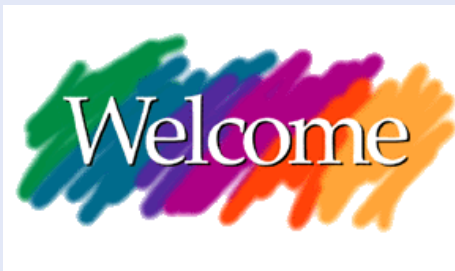
Month	Leader	Location Region
December	No FSD	due to Holiday Party

2018 Events

Month	Event	Leader	Type
December	Holiday Party	Executive Board	Social

Welcome New Members

Fargo Balliett, Napa
 Robi Bannon, Saratoga
 Jojie Bobon, Redwood City
 Jerry Brassfield, Clearlake Oks
 Clifton Mel, Salinas
 Cal Fugitt, Burlingame
 Blaise Guillen, Houston TX
 Tim Levin, Pacific Grove
 Lilibeth Lopez, Foster City
 Avery Lu, San Jose
 Luis Nieves, Napa
 Leta Pereira, Hollister
 Bruce Saito, Sunnyvale
 Bobby Sanchez, Foster City
 Andrea Spungin, Pebble Beach
 Fred Taber, Danville
 Ken Wheeler, Windsor
 Debbie Zelek, Fairfield
 John Zelek, Fairfield



Message from the President

I want to thank our membership for taking the time to vote in our recent section elections. The results are in and I want to personally congratulate Mikey Vasquez as our new President, and Denise Sheehan as our new Secretary for 2019!

We had a well-attended Planning Meeting on October 28th. Thank you to all of our section members who responded to the survey. Your responses allowed us to develop a full and diverse calendar of events for 2019. We have driving, social, educational and technical events planned to appeal to our membership. We are still seeking volunteers to complete our First Sunday Drives schedule. If you are interested in leading a drive, please contact Harry Andreades, our First Sunday Drive Director and let him know. Our 2019 First Sunday Drive and event calendar will be published in the December e-newsletter.

In October, members celebrated Oktoberfest at Teske's Germania Restaurant, enjoying German food, drink and dancing. Several of our members were in the true spirit of the event wearing their dirndls and lederhosen.

Our annual Membership Appreciation and Holiday Party will be held on December 1st, at the Spinnaker restaurant in Sausalito. It's an event not to be missed. We'll start with a Show & Shine in the parking lot followed by Champagne and Hors d'oeuvres as you enter the private dining room. Mingle with friends; old and new with the San Francisco Bay skyline as a backdrop. We'll start the holiday season in style enjoying a sumptuous buffet and tempting desserts. Remember to sign up on MSR ([click here](#)) and start the holiday season with friends! We are supporting the Toys for Tots program for those of you that would like to donate to this charity.

For Sale

2014 Mercedes E350



Here is a beautiful Diamond Silver Metallic E350, black and white interior, with 28,500 miles and still under Mercedes **Certified Pre-Owned Warranty**. (to 8/10/19) This spotless car was sticker priced at \$64,240 and still looks as good new. Every single thing works perfectly in this car. And it just had the B (four year) service in June at Mercedes Benz of Marin. It has a few minor scratches and one door ding smaller than a dime. For complete details and contact info [click here](#).

Your suggestions for club activities are always welcome!

Our Website

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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First Saturday Each Month
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San Francisco



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Do I have to use the dealer for repairs and maintenance to keep my warranty in effect?

No. An independent mechanic, a retail chain shop, or even you yourself can do routine maintenance and repairs on your vehicle. In fact, the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, which is enforced by the FTC, makes it illegal for manufacturers or dealers to claim that your warranty is void or to deny coverage under your warranty simply because someone other than the dealer did the work. The manufacturer or dealer can, however, require consumers to use select repair facilities if the repair services are provided to consumers free of charge under the warranty.

That said, there might be certain situations where a repair may not be covered. For example, if you or your mechanic replaced a belt improperly and your engine is damaged as a result, your manufacturer or dealer may deny responsibility for fixing the engine under the warranty. However, according to the FTC, the manufacturer or dealer must be able to demonstrate that it was the improper belt replacement — rather than some other defect — that caused the damage to your engine. The warranty would still be in effect for other parts of your car.

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