



**MBCA Ozark Section Newsletter**

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**Ozark Section  
Travels to Iggy's Restaurant  
On Saturday, June 17, to Carthage, Missouri**

Our June Event will be a "Two State Run" to Carthage, Missouri, to have lunch on Saturday, June 17, at Iggy's Diner. Iggy's Diner originally opened in July 1999 as a 50's Style Classic Diner on Route 66. It is a full-service restaurant with American Food and good parking (including handicap); it is a non-smoking facility with friendly service and good prices. The walls are decorated with 45 records and albums plus memorabilia of Elvis, Marilyn Monroe, James Dean and others; oldies music plays in the background.

Our journey will begin in Bentonville, continue through the back roads of Arkansas, then takes us up into Missouri and wind through the little towns until we will arrive in Carthage. More information will be provided in an email at the beginning of June; we hope many of our members will be able to join us in this fun drive. The route, and where we will stop along the way, will be handed out on June 17 before the caravan starts.

**When: Saturday, June 17, 2017**

**Where: Iggy's Restaurant  
2400 Grand Avenue  
Carthage, Missouri**

**RSVP: Linda Harrell by June 12  
[lindaharrell@scglobal.net](mailto:lindaharrell@scglobal.net)  
or 479-644-8987**



**Ozark Section Membership Event  
Saturday, July 15, at Copeland's New Orleans  
Restaurant in Rogers, Arkansas**

Our annual Membership Event will be held on Saturday, July 15 at Copeland's Restaurant in Rogers, Arkansas at 1 p.m. Member appreciation awards and a silent auction are planned for this event. Some of our members will be receiving their Mercedes-Benz Club of America longevity pins. We have a separate dining room reserved, so we'll be able to enjoy each other's company without distractions. This event gives us the opportunity to congratulate those who have been members of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America for either 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 years or longer.

**When: Saturday, July 15, starting at 1 p.m.**

**Where: Copeland's Restaurant in Rogers**

**Address: 463 N. 46<sup>th</sup> St., Rogers, AR 72756**

**Phone: 479-246-9455**

**RSVP: Kathy Menold at [menold1@cox.net](mailto:menold1@cox.net)  
or 479-756-6798 by July 10**

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**Star Reflections**

Submitted by Kathy Menold,  
Section President

*Our Ozark Section has been fortunate to have outstanding advertisers to help support our section. I would like to remind you to please patronize these businesses. Please let them know how much you appreciate their support.*

I wish you all a wonderful summer and hope to see many of you at our monthly and "Lunch Bunch" events.

We had a wonderful trip planned to Dogwood Canyon in Lampe, Missouri, on May 20. Due to all the heavy rains, Dogwood Canyon was heavily damaged and will be closed for an extended period of time. I know we won't be able to make the trip this year, but hopefully it will reopen in late fall or early spring, and we will make plans for 2018.



In the March/April 2017 *Star of the Ozarks* newsletter, I mentioned how important it is to keep our Ozark Section membership active. Your support is needed to encourage new members to join the Mercedes-Benz Club of America, plus if possible give a small portion of time to volunteer in keeping our section thriving. I have asked several times for someone to volunteer for the membership position, but unfortunately no one has contacted me. I have kept in touch with our members to continue their memberships, but we need someone to relieve me. It is important to have Internet access to obtain the Ozark Section membership list, and Word or Word Perfect to email or mail letters to our members. If you are interested in being the Ozark Section membership chairperson, please contact me at 479-756-6798, and I will explain the position.

**Welcome New Members**

<b>Kevin Anderson</b>	<b>Cabot, Arkansas</b>
<b>Timothy Boehm</b>	<b>Little Rock, Arkansas</b>
<b>Larry Long</b>	<b>Fayetteville, Arkansas</b>
<b>M. L. Scherz</b>	<b>Rogers, Arkansas</b>
<b>Vernon Solis</b>	<b>Centerton, Arkansas</b>

**Thanks to Renewing Members for Their Continuing Loyalty**

I want to remind you once again that this October, the Ozark Section will be celebrating its 20-year anniversary. Roger Shuler's family and the Board of Directors will host the celebration at Shuler Autohaus, in Fayetteville, where it all began. The purpose of this event is for our members to enjoy and reflect on the years gone by as well as look to the future. We are inviting our President and Executive Director from the National Office along with our Regional Director to join us for this event and are also providing a catered lunch. In order to meet these expenses at no cost to our members, all proceeds from fund-raising prior to October will go towards this event. I encourage our members to participate in the silent auctions that you will see at several of our upcoming events.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Member Since</b>
<b>Woodie Acord</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Larry Altman</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Martin Anderson</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Dennis Anderson</b>	<b>2004</b>
<b>Rashad Campbell</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Jim Deitz</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Warren Flynn</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Ray Lippig</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Pornthip Seedtibood</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Bob Wichert</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Tom Wissing</b>	<b>2011</b>

Our "Lunch Bunch" has started up again, and a group of the section members recently had lunch at Mermaid's in Fayetteville, Arkansas. We are planning more luncheons throughout the summer, and each month we will letting you know the restaurant with date and time, as they are set up. This is such a great way to get to know one another!!

## Moses Performance in Branson, Missouri

Submitted and Photos by Kathy Menold

On Saturday, March 18, 2017, the Mercedes-Benz Ozark Section drove to Branson, Missouri, to enjoy the performance of *Moses* at the Sight and Sound Theatre. March is usually a good time of year to hold events inside, but 15 members and two guests enjoyed a beautiful sunny day and the drive. Some of us met at the Landry's Seafood Restaurant for lunch prior to the performance. The others met us at the theatre.



The productions which are held at the Sight & Sound Theatre in Branson are incredible, and *Moses* was no exception. Linda Harrell had made the reservations for our tickets several months in advance, giving us excellent seats near the front and on the aisles, where many of the live animals and actors would enter. The audience was spell-bound through the entire performance; people of all ages were present and obviously enjoyed it. We lived the story in all its heartbreak, glory, passion, and salvation.

After the performance, we traveled our separate ways back home, one couple to Carl Junction, Missouri, and the rest of us to Northwest Arkansas. Two couples chose to stop at Big Cedar Lodge of Hwy. 86 in Missouri and take in a light dinner. We couldn't resist enjoying the perfect weather and sunset before heading home.

We want to thank Linda Harrell once again for her work on setting up the event, reserving such wonderful tickets and making the arrangements for lunch. Great job Linda!!



Joel and Kathy Menold and Ruth Shafer and Dave Jones

### Blanchard Springs Caverns, April 22-23, 2017 Mountain View, Arkansas

Submitted and Photos by Kathy Menold



In the early spring, it can be difficult to plan trips in Northwest Arkansas due to inclement weather. We had planned a great weekend in Mountain View, Arkansas, to take a tour of the Blanchard Springs Caverns, which the section hasn't done in some time. Many of our members have never taken the opportunity to visit them. However, spring is a busy time of year for many, and Mother Nature again was not going to cooperate. This didn't keep three couples from driving to Mountain View and spending one or two nights in the Pinewood Cabins. Two couples came over from Siloam Springs, Arkansas, and it was the first time for Jim and Fran Endicott "who live there" to enjoy one of our events. Come to find out, Fran knew Terry and Lori Lee, so they had a great time discussing friends, family and Siloam Springs, where Fran and Terry grew up.



Terry and Lori, Joel and I drove to the caverns to take the tour in the rain. I believe it was warmer in the cave than it was outside!! Because the Endicotts had been there several times before, they didn't take the tour but planned to meet us for dinner. It was the Lees' first time in the caverns, and, of course, it is amazing. We took an elevator down 225 feet to the bottom; once we got off the elevator, we still had to walk down the pathway before heading back up slightly. It takes time to adjust to the dim lighting, but every part of the cave is remarkable. Our tour guide was excellent, and she spent an hour with us explaining the history and science of how the caves developed as far as it is known. There are several sections of the caverns to be explored; however, the tour took us only into the largest cavern because the bats were migrating in the other areas. After the tour ended, we rode a bus back to the Visitors Center. The caverns are operated by the U.S. Forest Service and are considered among of the most beautiful in North America.



From the caverns, the four of us met Jim and Fran at JoJo's Catfish Restaurant along the White River for a relaxing dinner. I had forgotten that one should really be hungry to eat there. There was so much food, and it was so good!!! It was also Prom Night in Mountain View; the restaurant was busy, but we enjoyed seeing the young teens coming in for dinner.

After dinner, the six of us retreated to Terry and Lori's cabin to spend a few more hours just getting more



acquainted. We had planned to enjoy the blue grass music on the square Saturday evening, but the weather wouldn't cooperate. The next morning, we met at the Rainbow Café on the square for breakfast. Almost all the shops are closed on Sunday, so we all headed back home. It was a fun trip, and I want to thank the Endicotts and Lees for a great time together!

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### **Lunch Bunch at Mermaids**

Submitted by Ruth Shafer



Eight members of the Ozark Section converged on Mermaids Restaurant in Fayetteville on Thursday, April 20, to kick off the second season of casual lunches. Club members from Springdale, Bella Vista, Siloam Springs, and Fayetteville (half couples and half not) found a lot to talk to each other about over some really serious eats, from sandwiches to salmon meals. The food was great, the prices were decent, and the company was outstanding.

Club business doesn't happen at these get-togethers; they're just for fun, so we try to keep the planning and effort to a minimum. Our commonality is that we're MBCA members, but our purpose is to get to know each other rather than to promote the Section. I hope you'll join us at a Lunch Bunch meeting in the near future. The next one is at Sam's Old Tyme Hamburgers in Rogers on Wednesday, May 31, at 11:30. Watch for other gatherings in your email inbox or on our Facebook page.





## **1<sup>st</sup> Annual Emma Live Car Show** **July 1, 2017 – 8:00 am to 10:30 pm**

### **Historic Emma Street** **Downtown Springdale, Arkansas**

Emma Street will be blocked off from Shiloh Drive to the Dollar Store.  
You will need to park on the side streets if you are not entering your vehicle.

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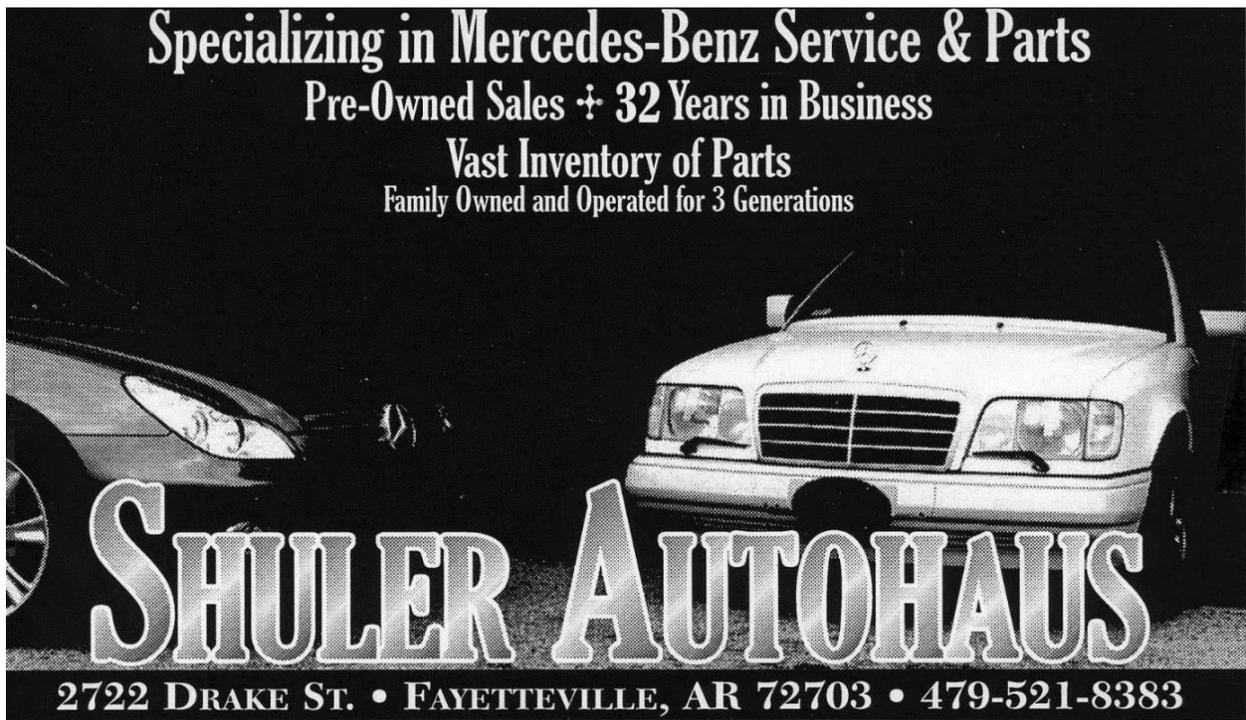
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**NOTE:** *This will not be an event of the Ozark Section MBCA but an opportunity for you to enter or just enjoy!*

## 2017 Upcoming Ozark MBCA Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
June 17	Over the Border Day Trip Iggy's Diner for Lunch	Carthage, MO
July 15	Membership Luncheon Copeland's of New Orleans Restaurant	Rogers, AR
August 19	Petit Jean State Park Lunch at the Lodge	Morrilton, AR
September 09	Tired Iron of the Ozarks	Gentry, AR
October 14	20 Year Anniversary Celebration for the Ozark Section at Shuler Autohaus	Fayetteville, AR
November - TBA	Mercedes-Benz of Northwest Arkansas Dealership	Bentonville, AR
December 09	Christmas Party Fred's Hickory Inn Restaurant	Bentonville, AR

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Hank Euler	June 03
Jean Euler	June 13
Wooden Acord	June 14
Rob Knapp	June 27
Jan Sweitzer	June 30
Penny Springmann	July 08
Kathy Menold	July 10
Amanda Kelly	July 14
Elaine Rosen	July 18
Barbara Jean Wissing	July 19
Gary Reusswig	July 20
Becky Vendel	July 21
Sharon Frye	July 22
Aimee Duca	July 23

**Ozark Section Anniversaries**

Bob & Patti Tetu	June 14
Al & Ginny Gulseth	June 17
Case & Becky Vendel	June 19
Luke & Rachell Lippig	June 22
Terry & Lori Lee	June 27
Hank & Jean Euler	July 01
Woodie & Jane Acord	July 03
Gary & Linn Reusswig	July 06
Linda Harrell & Bob Gailey	July 08
Dane & Diane Paulsen	July 16
Mick & Beth Hickman	July 23
John & Dottie Miller	July 29
Congratulations!	

**If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, contact our Hospitality Chairman, Diane Paulsen at 479-790-5643 or [diane.kcrealty@gmail.com](mailto:diane.kcrealty@gmail.com)**

**The Ozark Section is in need of a membership chairperson. Your help is appreciated. Please contact our President, Kathy Menold 479.756.6798**

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