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MBCA Ozark Section Newsletter

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Game Day!

It's cold outside, so let's play inside.

Let's get together for some fun!

Saturday, Feb. 18, 1:30-3:30 PM

**Bella Vista Public Library - Community Room
11 Dickens Place, Bella Vista, AR**

Come for an informal gathering to play some games and socialize. Feel free to bring your favorite game and/or a snack to share. Water will be provided. If you bring a beverage, it must be in a covered container, a bottle or can. Hope to see you there!

Questions? Contact Teresa Poulseen - 316-706-3388 or Barb Lowinger - 910-987-5876

Directions: Take US 71 to AR 340/W Lancashire Blvd; go East (towards Goodwill) for .3 mile; turn right on Dickens Place (if you pass the Baptist Church you've gone too far) and drive to the end of the road. Arrived!



**Luncheon at the Bonefish Grill
Rogers, Arkansas
on March 18, 2023**

There will be a change of plans for our March 18, 2023 event. After talking with Roger Shuler, at Shuler Autohaus, it has been decided to postpone the event until 2024. Instead, we are going to meet for lunch at the Bonefish Grill in Pinnacle Hills. We had a luncheon there last July and everyone had a great time. Please come and join us!! The restaurant is well known for its delicious seafood menu. Reservations have been made for the Mercedes-Benz Ozark Section.

Location: Bonefish Grill (The restaurant is on the west side of I-49)
3201 Market Street
Rogers, Arkansas 72758
479-273-0916

Date/Time: March 18, 2023
1:00 p.m.

R.S.V.P.: Kathy Menold by March 14, 2023
479-756-6798 or menold1@cox.net





Ozark Section's Message from Our President, Dennis Anderson

Club members,

The members of the Ozark Section MBCA leadership team are very focused on making 2023 a new and exciting year for you to experience. You will see in 2023 many new approaches that reach more of you across Arkansas and Southern Missouri.

A big step in our 2023 approach was led by Barbara Lowinger and the Event Committee, which took a fresh look at the types of events that we will offer to you this year. To do this the team utilized many different suggestions from our members across the Ozarks that will help us reach new locations. One of the goals was to involve more of our members in providing ideas and support for event leaders as they work to bring these new experiences to the group. We hope that these changes will encourage new volunteers and that you will participate in our upcoming events. Be sure to review the calendar of upcoming events in our newsletter and on our Facebook page.

Have fun driving your Mercedes-Benz vehicle, and don't forget to take advantage of our club discounts and vendors that will keep your Benz in top shape.

Dennis Anderson, President

Ozark Section

Welcome to Our New Member

Nicole Fairchild – Cave Springs, Arkansas

Thank You to Our Renewing Members and Their Loyalty

Milton DeJesus – Little Rock, Arkansas

Roy Farley – Fayetteville, Arkansas

Jared Floyd – Berryville, Arkansas

Michael Mullins – Pea Ridge, Arkansas

Robin Retlaff – Springdale, Arkansas

Kent Thomas – Springfield, Missouri

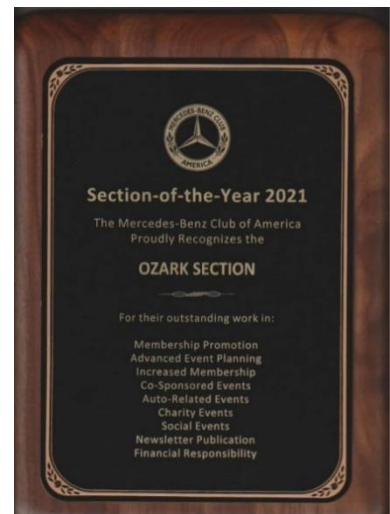
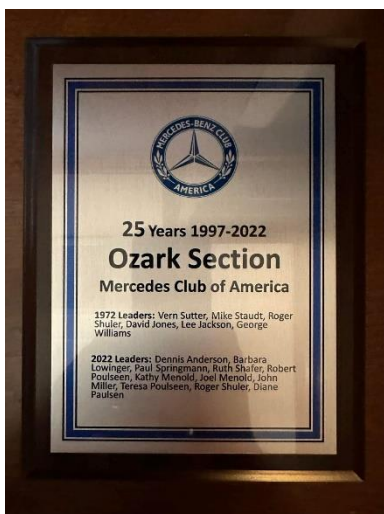
We would like to remind you to add your associate member on your membership at no charge. This gives the associate member the opportunity to vote and run for an office. Contact the National Office if you haven't done so already! 800-637-2360

**Annual Christmas Party at
Crabby's Seafood Bar & Grill on December 10, 2022**
Submitted by Dennis Anderson and Photos by
Dennis Anderson and Dottie Miller



Our Annual Ozark Section Christmas Party at Crabby's Seafood Bar and Grill in Rogers was a festive afternoon with 31 members and M-B dealership Service Department partners. This was a great opportunity to celebrate together multiple 2022 milestones including:

- We celebrated our 25th Anniversary as a Section,
- We won a national award, 1st Place MBCA Section of the Year,
- Barbara Lowinger was recognized for her 50th year as a Mercedes-Benz club member,
- Barbara and Terry Lowinger received the coveted Members of the Year for their great contributions to our Section.





Everyone had so much fun enjoying the ornament exchange with participants able to steal any ornament from those in the dining room. It was so hilarious seeing some unique ornaments that were unwrapped ending up being grabbed by another person multiple times. Those who lost their ornaments then had the opportunity to look around the tables for a replacement ornament that they would really like to take home.





Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest



Winner, Chris, NWA Dealership





The Ozark Section throughout our 25 years have always been very community minded with volunteerism and generous donations. During our party, we raised an additional \$445 for the Northwest Arkansas Food Bank, ending up with \$1,082 for the Ozark Section Feeding the Hungry Campaign. This event's significant donations came from Dottie and John Miller's huge gift basket loaded with treasures and from our Northwest Arkansas Mercedes Dealership with a deluxe Mercedes-Benz Picnic Basket, including a bottle of wine. Also supporting our local children in need, we collected several carloads of toys for the Salvation Army's Toys for Tots Drive. It certainly is great the way our members and dealership partners are always so generous for our Community Campaign each year.

The food and service at Crabby's Seafood Bar and Grill were excellent again, enabling us to share special time together during the Christmas season.

Thanks go to Kathy Menold, Barbara Lowinger and Teresa Poulsen for their work organizing the success of this very special event for us.

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2023 Upcoming Ozark Section MBCA Events

February 18	A Game Day – Socialize while playing various games	Location TBD	Barb Lowinger Teresa Poulseen
March 4	Quarterly Board Meeting 10:00 a.m. to noon	Bentonville Dealership	Dennis Anderson
March 18	Bonefish Bar & Grill Restaurant	Rogers, Arkansas	Kathy Menold
April TBD	Tech Session at Little Rock Dealership	8 Colonel Glen Place, Little Rock	Terry Lowinger Volunteers
May 5-6	McPherson College Motoring Festival and CARS	McPherson, Kansas	Bob and Teresa Poulseen
May - TBD	Poker Run w/Eastern Oklahoma Section Lunch: Shangri-La Resort	Grand Lake, OK	John Kushnerick John Miller
June 3	Quarterly Board Meeting 10:00 a.m. to noon	Bentonville Dealership	Dennis Anderson
June TBD	Springfield Wonders of Wildlife Lunch at Hemingway's Blue Water Cafe	500 W. Sunshine St. Springfield, MO	Bob and Teresa Poulseen Volunteers
July TBD	Membership Recognition Luncheon w/ Silent Auction for Alzheimer's Association	Peel Mansion Bentonville, AR	Dennis Anderson Teresa Poulseen
August 26	Annual Ozark Euro Rally German Car Show Lunch at Sparky's Restaurant	Eureka Springs, AR	Dennis Anderson Joel Menold
September 2	Quarterly Board Meeting 10:00 a.m. to noon	Bentonville Dealership	Dennis Anderson
September TBD			
October TBD	F-1 Afternoon Watch Party	Bentonville, AR	Paul Springmann
November 18	NWAR Mercedes-Benz Dealership	Bentonville, AR	Dennis Anderson Bob Poulseen
December 2	Quarterly Board Meeting 10:00 a.m. to noon	Bentonville Dealership	Dennis Anderson
December 9	Annual Christmas Party/Brunch – Auction and Raffle – Alzheimer's Fund Raiser		Board Committee



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Ozark Section Birthdays

Bee Anderson	Mar 19
Porfirio Gutierrez	Mar 27
Dane Paulsen	Apr 03
Joyce Bunch	Apr 08
Diane Paulsen	Apr 21

Happy Birthday!!

Ozark Section Anniversaries

Dave Jones & Ruth Shafer	Mar 14
Marty & Bee Anderson	Mar 15
Porfirio Gutierrez & Tanny Jones	Mar 17
Dennis & Jan Anderson	Apr 19
Reid & Donna Fairchild	Apr 28

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please contact our Hospitality Chair, Diane Paulsen at 479-790-5643 or diane55tablerockdr@gmail.com

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