

## Summer Shining Star Newsletter

Northeastern  
Pennsylvania Section

Mercedes-Benz  
Club of America



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### President's Message

Summer is a busy time for car shows, and you will see the shows that NEPA is participating in, in this newsletter: MBCA regional June Jamboree this past Saturday 6/26, Deutsche Classic 7/9, Das Awkscht Fescht 8/7 (postmark deadline to register your car is Friday July 1), New hope Auto Show 8/14, and Pocono Raceway Car Show 8/21. Our section's picnic is Saturday 7/16 at the home of Alice & Otto Christensen where we will have a popular vote car show for our members. Wear your name badges to all events. If you need one contact me.

This year Starfest is close to us, at Mohegan Sun Resort Hotel and Casino, located along the Thames River in Uncasville, CT. Deadline to register is Friday July 1. Hope you can join me at MBCA's premier event, with 400 MB enthusiast club members from across the U.S. and Canada expected. We will have an election of officers and directors (and plan our 2017 events) this year on Thursday November 10th (note change of date from previously announced date of 11/17). We are fortunate that most volunteers are willing to run again: President Mike Ziegler, V.P. Roger Egolf, Secretary Debbie Egolf, Treasure Jolanta Piekarski, director/Driving Coordinator Barry Brobst, Director/Road Rally Coordinator/Photographer Ron Gabel, and Webmaster Brett Kropf. The following positions still need to be filled: eNewsletter Editor, Membership, Ad/Sponsor Coordinator, and Facebook administrator. If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions, let me know. The board approved a free name badge to each of the above volunteers (including assistant Debra Kropf).

Our webmaster Brett Kropf received approval from the board to create a new website using our old website domain. It will have links to our current and national websites.

When it is up and running, we will show it on our current website [www.nepa.mbca.org](http://www.nepa.mbca.org)  
I look forward to seeing you at an event.

Happy motoring,  
Mike Ziegler



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Thank you for joining us at the MBCA-NEPA Spring Dinner.



As reported by Debbie Egolf

We had a nice time eating at The restaurants Pickles. Restaurant had bowls of pickles to eat on our tables. Our food was good as well as the company. In attendance: Sam & Lois Giamber, Barry Brobst, Ron & Elaine Gabel, Rog & Debbie Egolf. We had another couple attending but one was sick and very disappointed they could not attend. The room we sat in was large and quiet. It's okay for Spring Dinner but we are looking for another restaurant for Christmas Party.



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Event Recap: Elegance at Hershey



Best in Show at Elegance at Hershey

The Elegance at Hershey Sunday June 12, 2016 was the 6th annual "The Elegance at Hershey". NEPA members enjoyed seeing about 75 invited automobiles from around the country, rare and limited production models of varying car companies displayed against the beautiful backdrop of the Hotel Hershey. Proceeds from this event went to find a cure for Juvenile (Type 1) Diabetes (JDRF), the AACA library & Research Center, and the AACA Museum. We were pleased that the Best of Show award went to a 1934 Mercedes-Benz 500K Roadster from the Miyabi Collection, Honolulu, Hawaii (picture shown). Designated model W29 by M-B, production continued through 1936. Its heart was a Roots-supercharged 5.0-liter/160hp ohv in-line eight-cylinder engine - thus its 500K designation - 5.0 litre engine with Kompressor (supercharger in German). This one-off example was featured in the 1938 German movie Der Blaufuchs (Blue Fox). While in Estonia in the late 1940s, it was fitted with a trailer hitch to haul firewood! It first came to the U.S. in 1987. Restoration was completed July 2015. Don't miss next year's Elegance the second weekend in June.



## Event Recap: Day Drive to Mount Joy, PA.

On Sunday, May 22, 2016, a group, all traveling in Mercedes, drove to Bube's Brewery located in Mount Joy, Pennsylvania. Bube's is a 19th Century brewery complex. There are three restaurants located in the complex. One is the Catacombs, which is located in the cellar of the brewery. Dining in the Catacombs is a unique experience. The other dining choices are the Bottling Works and the Biergarten, which are more casual. During the two-hour journey, the group experienced splendid country-side views driving through several small towns. Great conversations and a delicious luncheon were enjoyed by all. Thanks to Barry Brobst for arranging this tour.



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## Event Recap: June Jamboree

Submitted by Mike Ziegler

The weather, location, and cars were beautiful for the NNJ Section's 53rd June Jamboree held on 5/26/16. This event is the longest running MBCA event in the country. With this year being the 60th anniversary of MBCA, MBCA president Terry Kiwala was there helping with the event. Some of the other National board members in attendance, where Treasurer William Hopper, Director at Large Frank Cozza (and his wife Mary Ellen), and our Mid-Atlantic Regional Director Joe Grattan.



There was a representative from MBC from Germany in attendance. MBCA National Concours Chairman (and Past MBCA President) Peter Lesler, was the Chief Judge, and announced that **NEPA members Aaron & Helen Newman's 1989 560SL** was one of the cars that received the Silver Star Certificate in the Silver Star Preservation Class, recognizing mostly original untouched and non-restored cars.

SL after a two year restoration

NEPA VP Roger Egolf received  
Popular Vote First Place in the old

sedan class for his 1992 500E (semi-hand built in a Porsche factory with a MSPR of \$82,150) which Roger stated was [the fastest production sedan that was available in the US in 1992](#). We hope to see you at this event next year.



## Deutsche Classic



### Deutsche Classic

July 9, 2016 Oley PA

Time: 8:00am - 4:00pm

The 12th Annual Deutsche Classic will be held at the Oley Fairgrounds on Saturday, July 9th from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Registration is on the day of the show. This event features all German makes, last year there were a total of 315 show cars (about 35 of those were Mercedes-Benz). Food coupons are included with registration, and there are plenty of fun events happening all day long. For more information and directions, see their website.

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## Das Awkscht Fescht



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August 7, 2016 Macungie PA

Time: 7:30am - 9:30pm

Pre-Registration \$15 for show cars, Post marked by July 1st.

No day of show registration. 4 people permitted with a show car.

The 2016 Das Awkscht Fescht will be held at Macungie Memorial Park on the weekend of August 5 to 7, 2016. The event is one of the largest car shows in the country, with 800 to 1000 cars of all makes on display each day.

Gates open each day at 6:00 am for walk-in visitors. Show cars enter the fields after 7:30 am. Flea market goes through dusk, and arts & crafts vendors are open until 9 pm.

Entertainment goes until 10:30 pm on Fri and Sat, and until 4:30 pm on Sun. Fireworks are on Saturday night at 9:30 pm. The admission fee each day is \$8 for adults, \$3 for age 15 and under.

Our club will be participating in the Sunday August 7th event.



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## New Hope Auto Show

### New Hope Auto Show

Sunday August 14, New Hope PA

Reduced Entry with Group Preregistration, \$15

The New Hope Auto Show MBCA NEPA will be joining the Delaware Valley section for The New



Hope Auto Show on Sunday August 14th. Show cars admitted 8:30am-10:30am (show cars arriving after 12 noon may not be judged). The Parade of Champions begins after all judging is completed, at approximately 2:30pm. You may enter any Mercedes-Benz model thru 1991.

Prizes are awarded. If we have 10 show cars pre-registered as a group, the entry fee will be \$15 instead of the normal \$25 pre-registration fee. Contact Mike Ziegler 610-504-5370 or [mikez@ZieglersRV.com](mailto:mikez@ZieglersRV.com) for discount pre-registration. Information on the show at [www.newhopeautoshow.com](http://www.newhopeautoshow.com)



## Car Show and Indy Racing at Pocono Raceway!

**August 21st 2016**

**Long Pond, PA**

**Time: 10:00am - 3:30pm**

**Free**

**RSVP is REQUIRED**

Our MBCA-NEPA Section has been one of the clubs invited to participate in a Car Show at Pocono Raceway Sunday August 21st simultaneously with the IndyCar event. They are looking for vintage and/or rare cars (doesn't have to be a Mercedes Benz) to be displayed on the Pocono Raceway grounds. They are looking for about 200 to 250 cars. Those selected will need to be at the Raceway by 9am. Vehicles many leave any time after the drop of the green flag which would be around 2pm. It may be possible to display it on Saturday also.

If your car is selected, you will get: No charge admission for show vehicle, driver and one passenger; 1 free paddock parking pass for the show vehicle; and 2 free grandstand tickets per show vehicle to enjoy the IndyCar action from the grandstand.

[To see the invitation letter CLICK HERE.](#)

[To register CLICK HERE.](#)



Let Mike Ziegler know that your registered: [mikez@zieglersrv.com](mailto:mikez@zieglersrv.com) or 610-504-5370





## Where would you like your Holiday Party?

Where would you like your MBC-NEPA holiday party to be held at? We are looking for suggestions now for the location of our Holiday Celebration. Please share your recommendations via email with Mike Now [mikez@zieglersrv.com](mailto:mikez@zieglersrv.com)



## Upcoming Events

- 6/25 [MBC-NNJS June Jamboree](#)
- 7/9 [Deutsche Classic, Oley PA](#)
- 7/16 MBC-NEPA Annual Summer Picnic at Alice & Otto Christensen, Mohrsville, PA
- 7/22-23 [Defensive Driving/AutoCross, Lancaster, PA](#)
- 8/3-6 [Mercedes Star Fest, Uncasville, CT](#)
- 8/7 [Das Awkscht Fescht, Macungie PA](#)
- 8/14 [New Hope Car Show, New Hope PA](#)
- 8/21 [Car Show & Pocono Race, Pocono Raceway, Long Pond PA](#)
- 8/10 9am Board Meeting at Jolanta Pierkarski's home
- 9/10 Road Rally, Details TBD
- 9/11 [Radnor Hunt C d'Elegance, Radnor, PA](#)
- 9/24 MBC-NNJS Annual End of Summer Picnic, John Bleimier's Hopewell NJ
- 10/23 Day Drive, Fall Foliage Pocono Mountains, Details TBD
- 11/10 Election/Planning Dinner Meeting, Details TBD
- 12/17 Christmas Holiday Dinner, Details TBD