



Mercedes-Benz Club of America

Keystone Star

Keystone Section of Central PA
May/June 2019

Keystone Section Events 2019

February 10 (Sun.): 2019 Kick-Off Luncheon, First Post Restaurant, York, PA

March 9 (Sat.): Pennsylvania National Fire Museum, Harrisburg, PA

April 13 (Sat.): Tech Session at Sun Motorcars, Mechanicsburg, PA

May 3 - 5 (Fri. thru Sun.): Annual Kentucky Derby Weekend, Cape May NJ

May 12 - 19 (Sun. - Sun): Bermuda Cruise on Celebrity Summit, from Cape Liberty, NJ

Local Spring-Summer Non-Club Events:

May 19 (Sat.): Carlisle Import and Performance Nationals, Carlisle, PA

June 7 - 9 (Fri - Sun): Elegance at Hershey Events

*******Details Inside*******

******June 15 (Sat.):** Penn Nat'l Race Course Dining and Racing, Grantville, PA

******July 13 (Sat.):** Deutsche Classic German Car Show, Oley, PA

August 17 (Sat.): Wilmington & Western Railroad,

September 8 (Sun): Keystone Section Picnic, Masonic Village, Elizabethtown, PA

October 20 (Sun): Fall Road Rally, Lancaster County

November 9 (Sat): 2020 Planning Meeting, M B of Lancaster, East Petersburg, PA.

Share in the planning of our monthly events/meetings for 2020. Contact Marty Rexroth, 717-764-0624 or marstang@aol.com, to attend, or if you have ideas for events.

December 7 (Sat.): Holiday Party at Eden Resort Inn, Lancaster, PA

To reserve a room for the night, after June, contact the Eden Resort (717-569-6444) and mention you are attending the **Keystone Section MBCA party** to receive a special rate. The Eden Resort is located on Oregon Pike (Rt. 272N), off Rt 30 in Lancaster. Contact Jan & John Kitner, kitjan613@aol.com or 717-872-2988, for more information.

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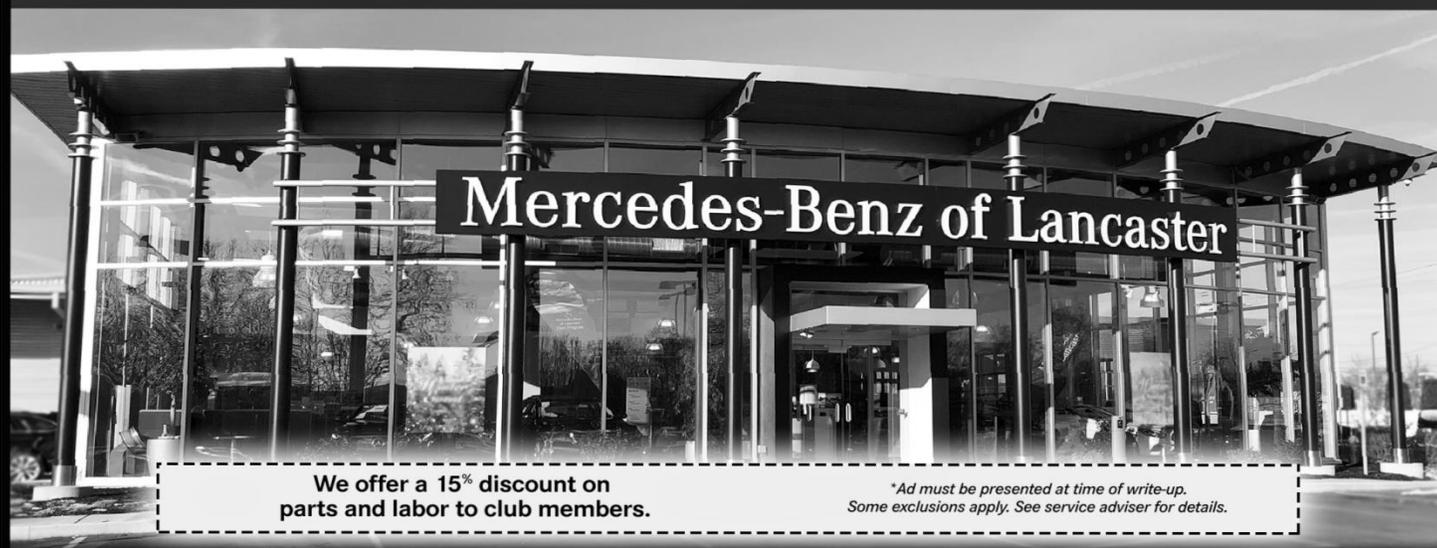
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President's Message

Light Speed

Hi everyone,

As our section
was touring Sun
Motors during

the April Technical Session, I couldn't help but to be taken aback by how much things have changed.

Only a little more than 15 years ago my wife and I visited Sun in Camp Hill in search of an E320. That dealership has been replaced by the new facility on Carlisle Pike, and the new facility is now completing extensive expansion and renovations.

As Mike Lombardi spoke proudly about the growth of the dealership and the Mercedes Benz brand, I turned to Parts Manager Tim Knapp and commented, "Things are moving at light speed, aren't they?" Tim responded, "Excuse me?" I then explained to Tim what was going through my mind: the growth, the new models, the innovations, the technologies.

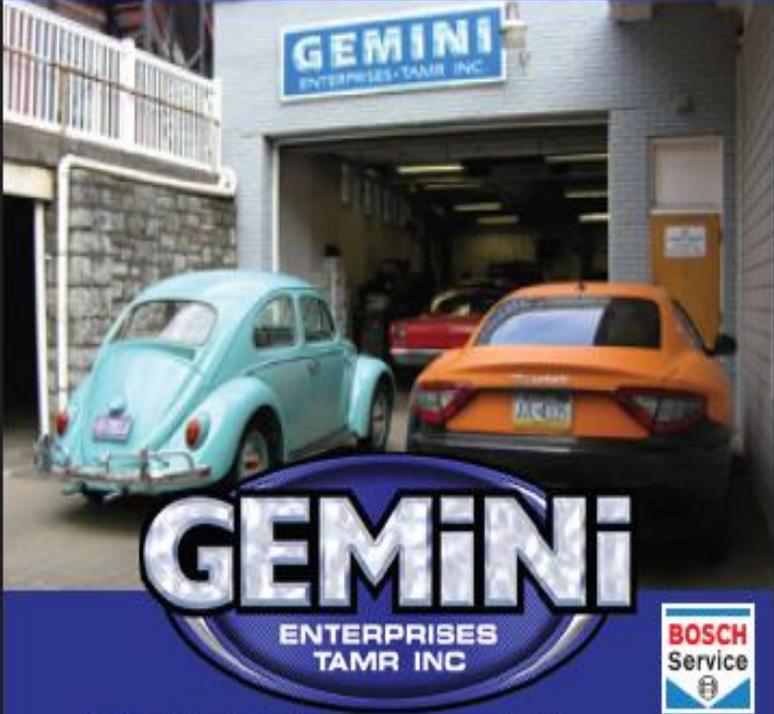
Light speed. A brand once reserved for professionals and enthusiasts now has wide appeal. Heck, chances are the HVAC contractor coming to your home, or the next day package delivery service coming to your office will be driving a Mercedes-Benz Sprinter Van! What will the next 15 years bring? Hold on everyone! We will be traveling at light speed to that bright Mercedes Star!

Hope to see you at an upcoming event!

Marty

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**Penn National Race Course at
Hollywood Casino in June**

Join us on Saturday, June 15 for a fun evening of dining and watching the races at Penn National Race Course, 777 Hollywood Drive, Grantville PA 17028, just off Rt. 81 at exit 80. We will meet in the Mountain View Restaurant at 5:30. The large windows offer a great view of Blue Mountain, and the racetrack. Catch all the horse racing action from our trackside table while their skilled staff prepare sandwiches, appetizers and entrees featuring grilled steaks, seafood and more, for your dining pleasure. Check out their menu at

www.hollywoodpnrc.com/racing.

Contact John Kitner, kitjan613@aol.com to RSVP by June 12, and/or for more info. We are planning some fun betting games for the evening, so bring your "good luck" and join us for some spring fun at the races!



~*~*~Annual Cape May Weekend~*~*~

Five couples made the annual trek to Cape May the weekend of May 3rd for our annual Kentucky Derby weekend. We had beautiful weather to enjoy a few days of relaxation and fun at the beach, before the summer crowds arrive.

Our Derby party was held in one of our motel rooms and we watched the race on TV. Members contributed food and drink items to our party "buffet". We picked numbers to match the horses in the race and pitched in our \$\$ as usual. Henry Wright's horse took first place, (after the original winner was disqualified), and Greg Towson's horses placed second and third. Our cute "traveling trophy", Booby, the wonder horse, which goes to the last place finisher each year, went home this year with Bob Hussar.



Race Winners, Greg Towson, Henry Wright and Bob Hussar

Tech Session at Sun Motors Mercedes-Benz April 13 Huge Success

The Keystone Section would like to thank Mike Lombardi, General Manager, and his staff, at Sun Motors Mercedes-Benz in Mechanicsburg for hosting a wonderful, informative tech session on Saturday April 13th. The dealership is located at 6677 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg, PA.

The agenda

Early morning with Al Moyer and Gary Brown in the shop discussing the new AMG 43 models. The techs not only described the new AMG series, but also answered a wide array of questions from our members.

Then a tour of the facility by Mike Lombardi. This included the shop, Sprinter work area, recon and parts departments. We then visited the new Showroom expansion and Delivery center.

After enjoying lunch, we made a trip to the Parts Dept. window for complimentary gifts and special pricing on select items. (NOTE: Sun Motors offers 15% off parts for club members)

The day concluded with a brief overview by one of their Product Concierges of the new 2020 GLE and the new A-class.

Sun Motors always provides a quality experience. Thanks again to Sun Motors for hosting our club.



Welcome New Members!
Brandon Crist of York Haven
Robert Dortenzo of Chambersburg
Daniel Waltersdorff of Hanover
Hope to meet all of you at a future event!



DEUTSCHE CLASSIC CAR SHOW
Oley, PA JULY 13, 2019

We will be returning to the Deutsche Classic Car show at the Oley Fairgrounds. Oley is northeast of Reading. The show is rain or shine and starts at 8:00 am and ends at 4 pm. Cars on display will include Audi, BMW, Mercedes Benz, Porsche and Volkswagen as well as the unique "orphan" cars. German motorcycles will also be displayed in a non-judged display.

Other activities include a tire toss for the men, with prizes totaling \$300, a DJ and delicious food all day, Kids car hunt, and Hagerty Insurance Youth Judging for kids 8-14years old.

The cost to show your car is \$25 which includes one admission ticket and 5 food tickets. The judged show will have winners for each marque. Judged cars must be on the field by 11:30 am. The judging process is very relaxed. We encourage all members to display their cars regardless of age or condition so that our club will be well represented. Awards will be presented at 3:00 pm.

If you have a car for sale, you can put it in the car coral for \$25. You can also get a vendor space for the same fee.

The general admission price is \$17, which includes 5 Free food and beverage tickets. Children under age 12 are free.

For more information, visit their website at <http://www.deutscheclassic.com> There is no official pre-registration. Just register at the gate. Contact John Kitner, kitjan613@aol.com, or 717-872-2988 if you have any questions.

Directions to 26 Jefferson Street Oley, PA 19547:

Rt. 30 East or PA Turnpike (Reading Exit) to US-222 N. Proceed 20 miles from Turnpike Exit to 73 E. Proceed 7 miles. Watch for signs.

Local Spring and Summer Non-Club Events

Carlisle Import and Performance Nationals

May 19 and 20

Carlisle Events has combined two popular shows to bring you the **Carlisle Import & Performance Nationals**. Enjoy a truly cultural experience while strolling the show field that will feature over 2,000 show vehicles. See the top builds, restorations, car clubs and brands. In addition to thousands of show cars, get your high-octane adrenaline rush with autocross, drifting, automotive competitions and more.

Start your adventure at the Carlisle Fairgrounds, where you will discover a variety of experiences including seminars, fair food, kids' activities and live music all weekend. Admission on Friday and Saturday is \$10 and \$7 on Sunday, 12 & under is free.

Read more: <https://www.visitcumberlandvalley.com/things-to-do/car-shows-racing/carlisle-import-kit-nationals/#ixzz5nFj9WlUw>

The Elegance at Hershey

June 7,8 and 9, 2019

The festivities commence with The Grand Ascent, a vintage hill climb exhibition in the European tradition, where drivers pilot some of the finest historic race cars up the historic back road to The Hotel Hershey®. Modeled on similar events such as England's Goodwood, and paying homage to ongoing events such as Mount Equinox and Pikes Peak, The Grand Ascent appeals to enthusiasts and curious spectators alike. Sanctioned by the Vintage Sports Car Club of America (VSCCA), the two-day hill climb event includes a sponsor /vendor area for marketing to participants and the general public.

Cars & Coffee will be returning on Saturday June 8, adding to the celebration and the sophistication of our three-day event.

The event reaches a crescendo the following day, with the highlight of the weekend, The Elegance. Modeled after the finest concours in Europe and America, The Elegance is a genteel garden party featuring the world's finest collector cars, arrayed around the classically manicured gardens of The Hotel Hershey®. Car owners, hotel guests, and those who appreciate automotive history, gather for a day of mutual admiration and relaxed camaraderie. Sprinkled among the fabulous and famous cars will be tents filled with art and other treasures. A special Afterglow reception for participants and sponsors concludes The Elegance weekend. www.theeleganceathershey.com





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