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A Grand Ending

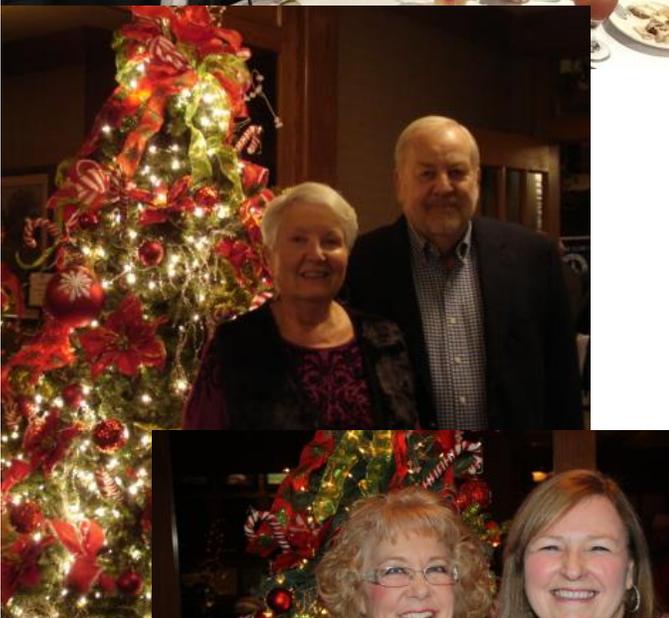


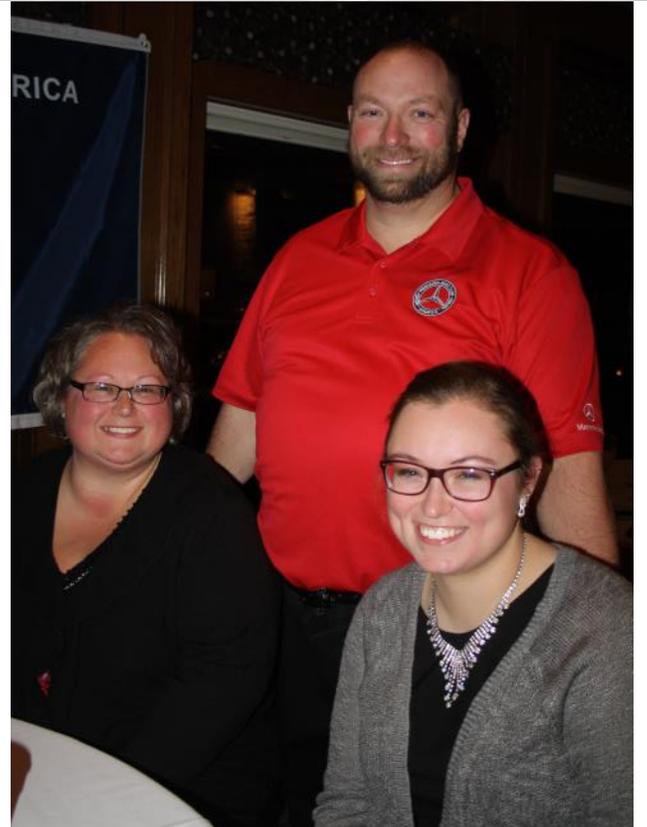
It was a great year and we ended it in grand style at our annual Holiday Party at Autumn Ridge Golf Club on Saturday, December 3rd. Twenty-five members started the evening with appetizers, cocktails and pictures by the tree. Joining in the fun were National President Terry Kiwala, Director-at-large from the National Board Frank Cozza and his wife Mary Alice, Regional Director John Briggs and his wife Trish, and Indy 500 Section President Ken Salter and his wife Melanie.

Before dinner we held our annual elections of officers for the coming year. Congratulations to President Jason Bogart, Vice-president Darrell Post, Treasurer Amy Bogart and Secretary Lisa Long. Lisa also retains her position as co-event coordinator, along with Suzanne Noblett. Congratulations also to Amy Bogart for her Member of the Year Award.

After we devoured a lovely selection of delicious food for dinner, the merriment continued as Jason led us in several games, including making "Pantyhose Reindeer Antlers". Check out our Facebook page to watch the videos. www.facebook.com/MBCATR







President's Message

As the year comes to an end and the stage curtain closes for Three Rivers we look back on 2016. We had a good time and that is what the club is about. We are a car club but we are also friends & family. In February, we attended the Kiwanis Club Chocolate Fest & Silent Auction that benefited various charities, including Riley Hospital for Children, Fort Wayne's SCAN, Woodburn Children's Home and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

In March, we celebrated the Irish in all of us at Curley's Pub.

In April, we attended Three Rivers Breakfast & Benz and traveled to the Wakarusa Maple Syrup Festival.

In May, we celebrated Mary's 40th Anniversary of being a Three Rivers member. That is quite an accomplishment.

In July, we participated in the annual Three Rivers Parade & we held the MBCA Defensive Driving & Autocross. What a rush to tear across IPFW's parking lot while learning better driving skills.

In August, we enjoyed dinner on the dock with a "members' favorite" Dinner, Dixie & Ski Bees. A thrilling and exciting water ski show right in front of the dock while we ate. Followed by a relaxing ride around beautiful Webster Lake on the historic Dixie Boat. Also in that month, we held another Three Rivers Breakfast & Benz at the Warsaw American Table Restaurant.

September brought the roar of engines and the pounding of the auction gavel at our annual ACD Labor Day car auction. Our club is the only car club allowed on the grounds. Throughout the day, we enjoy a tailgate style luncheon and look at all the amazing cars.

October took us to the Rusty Dog in Huntington for a dinner meeting where we discussed making some purchases to enhance our section. Members made generous donations to make it possible to purchase our club section banner and two table skirts. When I first started with the Three Rivers Section there was a total of 6 Mercedes Benz flags and nothing else. We still have those flags and have added tables, coolers, a club tent, and now our section banner and the two MBCA table skirts. We are making progress and moving forward.

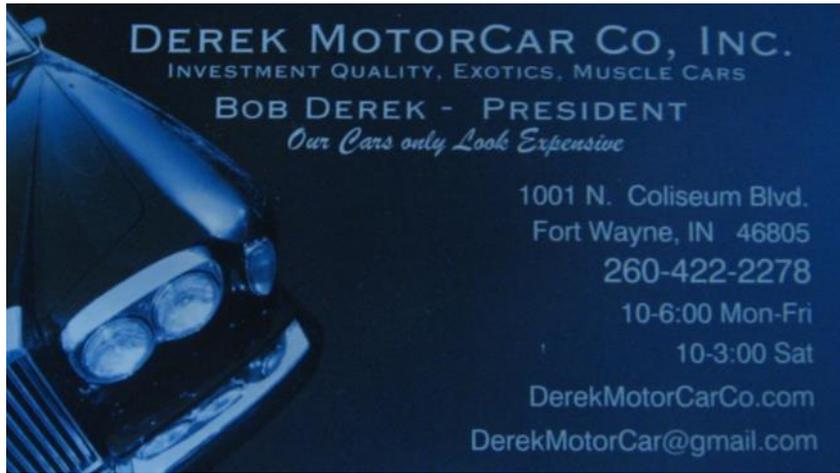
November brought hope and joy as we kicked off our annual Marines' Toys for Tots drive. We were able to collect more toys than the previous year and that is awesome. We're going to become more involved with the program.

Finally, we closed out the month of December with a bang with our annual Christmas party! Members joined us for a sumptuous festive feast, merriment, games, and cheer. What a night! Not only was I elected as the new Three Rivers Section President, but apparently I am a good entertainer. I try to keep the party lively and fun for all.

As we move forward into 2017 and I am your new Three Rivers Section President I would like to start by thanking Julie our past President and wish her well as she moves on to the national level. We have always maintained that this is "your club" so we need your participation to move forward. I want to invite you to the meetings and get involved. I want some of the members who may not have attended for one reason or another to come to events, see what it is we are doing in the club. 2017 will be a new adventure for all of us. I urge you to get involved.

Sincerely

Jason Bogart
President
Mercedes Benz Club of America ~ Three Rivers Section



Advertising

We have reinstated advertising in our newsletter. Newsletters go to all current members, so if you want to promote your business or maybe sell your Mercedes, this is the place to advertise. We'll keep it to the calendar year, so rates will be adjusted for the remaining months.

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THREE RIVERS SECTION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS — 2017

December 31: Breakfast & Benz, join us for some great food at the Sunrise Café, 10230 Coldwater Road, at 10:00am. We'll be planning events for next year so bring your ideas.

*Please consult your current issue of **The Star** magazine for listings of upcoming National, Regional and Sectional events throughout the country. Or log on to the National website at mbca.org and check out what's coming under the "Our Community" tab.*

More events will be added as they are scheduled and details for each event will be forwarded as needed. Ideas for events are always welcomed and encouraged. Contact any board member with suggestions.



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