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AUGUST 4, 2021
FIRST WEDNESDAY DINNER
(SEE PAGE 4 FOR DETAILS)



Big Crowd, Big Portions, Big Fun Record-Setting Turnout at Lakeside Bar & Grill in Reno

by Marcus Dodson, Newsletter Editor

In early July, a record-breaking 43 members of the Sierra Nevada Section of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America gathered at Lakeside Bar and Grill in Reno for a First Tuesday Dinner, hosted by MaryAnn and Bob Tokle. This was the largest amount of members ever for a First Tuesday Dinner, and the phenomenal turnout was so exciting to witness. It was clear that people are ready to gather once again and enjoy food and fun with their friends. There were several new faces in the group, including three couples.

Lakeside Bar and Grill has been a

Reno favorite for more than 20 years, and some people might remember it when it used to be named Truckee River Bar and Grill before being reimagined in 2011. It has an upscale-casual vibe and is known for its friendly table-side service and its delicious all-day menu items, as well as its popular weekday happy hour.

The menu featured a diverse, international selection, including Mexican, Italian, and American classics. Some guests enjoyed chicken piccata and assorted salads, while many others took advantage of the Tuesday night Mexican specials. Several tables had plates

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PRESIDENT'S EXHAUST



Celebrate Good Times

Cool Club Events for Hot Summer Nights

I think it's safe to say that our club is back in action. Our recent First Tuesday Dinner had a turnout of 43 people, and the Dodson's Annual Summer Backyard Party had 64 people in attendance. Both of these events had record-breaking numbers, and I hope that trend continues. It is a fabulous feeling to be able to get together with my friends this summer and enjoy good food, good cars, and good times.

As I mentioned, our First Tuesday Dinner in early July at Reno's Lakeside Bar and Grill, hosted by MaryAnn and Bob Togle, was a smashing success. I haven't seen that many club members get together at a First Tuesday Dinner throughout my entire time in this club. I hope that the remaining 2021 dinner events are just as popular.

What can I say about Christy and Marcus Dodson's Annual Summer Backyard Party that hasn't already been echoed by other members? The evening, which was themed as Christmas in

July, was simply magical. The delightful event featured a catered Mexican dinner, flowing drinks, and fantastic decorations and music. We were all bummed that we couldn't attend the annual party last year, but Christy and Marcus definitely made up for it by throwing the largest gathering ever for our club.

This week, on August 4, Vencil and I are hosting a First Wednesday Dinner at Duke's Steakhouse at Casino Fandango in Carson City. This is one of our favorite upscale-casual places to eat when we're in the capitol city, and we do hope that you'll join us. Then, on August 21, LaVern and Carlos Lucovich are hosting the Annual Picnic and Play at Bartley Ranch Regional Park in Reno.

Take a peek at the calendar in the back of this newsletter, as we still have some amazing events and dinners planned for the rest of 2021.

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THE GROUP ENJOYED A GREAT EVENING OF FOOD & FUN.

Big Crowd, Big Fun

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of chili rellenos and fajitas, as well as margaritas. Those who didn't imbibe the traditional Mexican cocktail enjoyed other spirits, wine, and beer.

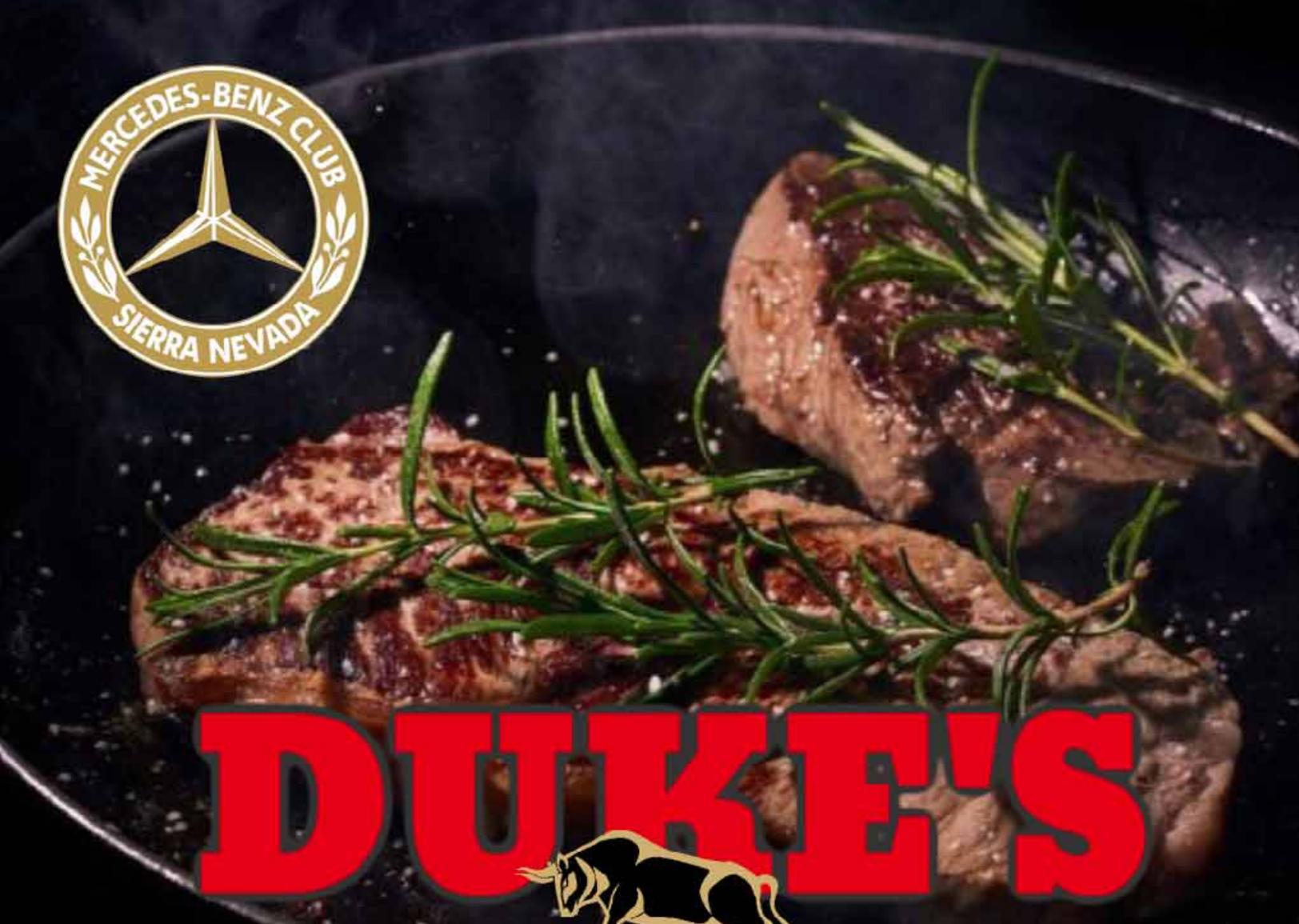
While Lakeside Bar and Grill didn't have a private dining room to offer the club, it certainly didn't matter because the Mercedes club filled 2/3 of the restaurant on its own. The evening was successful, thanks to Lakeside providing the group with its own private waitstaff. The chef even came out

house at Casino Fandango in Carson City, Nevada, on August 4, 2021, hosted by Gail and Vencil Wells. To RSVP, contact Gail Wells at blackswan342@gmail.com or (307) 763-1701. Dinners happen monthly, and there are opportunities to host for anyone who is interested. For more information and to sign up to host a Tuesday Dinner or an event, contact Gail Wells. Stay up to date on future club events by searching for @SierraNevadaMBCA on Facebook. 🚗



of the kitchen to make an appearance, and he thanked the group for choosing Lakeside for its dinner event. Several members of the club frequent Lakeside Bar and Grill on their own time, and it seems as though the establishment impressed many new faces, too. Guests were amazed at the massive portions of food, which come at a reasonable price. It truly is one of Reno's best bang-for-your-buck restaurants.

The next First Wednesday Dinner will be at Duke's Steak-

A close-up photograph of two thick steaks, likely filet mignon, resting on a black plate. The steaks are garnished with fresh green rosemary sprigs. The background is dark, making the steaks stand out.

DUKE'S

A stylized black and white silhouette of a bull, facing left, positioned below the word "DUKE'S".

STEAKHOUSE

A decorative, symmetrical flourish or scrollwork element in a gold color, centered below the word "STEAKHOUSE".

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2021

DUKE'S STEAKHOUSE 5:30 P.M.

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THE NEW EQS SEDAN IS THE LONGEST-RANGE BATTERY-ELECTRIC VEHICLE ON THE MARKET.

Tesla Killer

New Mercedes Electric S-Class Beats Out Tesla Model S

by Ali Turner, Reporter for the Automotive Industry



For many, when you mention the Mercedes®-Benz brand, the iconic S-class comes to mind. The innovative, technologically advanced vehicle has been the German automaker's flagship product for half a century. Luxury car connoisseurs exalted the S-class as the premier option for those wanting the best option on the market. This holds true for the new luxury electric S-Class, the EQS. In a recent test by German auto magazine *Auto Motor und Sport*, the new EQS outdid the Tesla Model S in two key areas. "It's the be-

ginning of a complete new era," said Christophe Starzynski, Vice President Product Group Electric Vehicle Architecture, Mercedes-Benz AG.



The full-size sedan launched in April 2021 and Deutsche Bank analyst Tim Rokossa said, "The car will likely set the benchmark in terms of technical features, as well as design and quality." The caliber of the car's interior is top-notch, including the MBUX Hyperscreen, which turns the entire dashboard into a display interface that uses artificial intelligence-enabled software. Exclusive to the EQS, the 56"

curved glass instrument panel stretches from door to door, and has a zero-layer interface that eliminates the need to scroll by using voice commands. The passenger and driver

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Tesla Killer

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can choose independent experiences to interact with the vehicle, including charging, connectivity, massage, climate, and more. A panoramic sunroof

allows unobstructed views from anywhere inside the car.

A next-generation lithium-ion battery provides the EQS with unparal-

leled performance, efficiency, and charging capacity. On a recent road test

of the EQS, in which *Auto Motor und*

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Sport took the electric car on a drive from Munich to Berlin, the car authority called it the best electric car in the world. The new EQS sedan from Mercedes beats out the top rival from Tesla in terms of range and efficiency, including the ability to reach 186 miles in just 15 minutes of charging. The new EQS is the first to be produced on Mercedes' newly developed, dedicated electric-vehicle architecture, and has a range of up to 478 miles. This impressive stat means that the new EQS sedan is the longest-range battery-electric vehicle on the market.

In terms of technology and performance, the EQS is in a league of its own. It has 329 horsepower and 406 lb.-ft. of torque for the EQS 450+ and 516 horsepower and 611 lb.-ft. of torque for the EQS 580 4MATIC. Drivers can expect



to go from 0-60 mph in 5.5 second and 4.1 seconds, depending on the version, and the EQS comes with an estimated top speed of 130 mph. KEYLESS-START® and KEYLESS-GO® with seamless door handles and hands-free access will come standard on the EQS, as well as active parking assist with a surround-view camera. Mercedes has equipped the electric vehicle with front and rear LED lightbands, active high-beam assist, adjustable regenerative braking with steering wheel paddles, and much more.

"Simply, it's the most significant launch of a Mercedes-Benz in decades, potentially ever," said Adam Chamberlain, Vice President for Sales, Mercedes-Benz North America. The new EQS

only solidifies the fact that Mercedes, like many other car manufacturers, is pivoting toward electric vehicles. In 2020, Europe became the world's largest market for electric vehicles, thanks to new emissions targets and generous tax incentives. Those interested in the EQS sedan in America can expect to see its



arrival in late 2021, and pricing has yet to be revealed.



A vintage-style poster for Mercedes-Benz Club Sierra Nevada's Oktoberfest event. The poster features a woman in a red dress with a white collar, holding up a tray of beer. The text "Hurra! Bier!" is written in a large, stylized font. Below it, the date "Freitag 1 Oktober 2021 der Stadt Reno" is listed. At the bottom, it says "das Datum reservieren" and "Oktoberfest" in a large, bold font. The Mercedes-Benz logo is visible in the bottom left corner, with "SIERRA NEVADA" written below it.

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Merry Elfin' Christmas

Annual Summer Backyard Party a Festive Success

by Gail Wells, President, Sierra Nevada Section of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America

Christmas arrived early, very early, at the home of Christy and Marcus Dodson in mid-July for their Annual Summer Backyard Party.

Santa and his elves were hard at work, transforming the Dodson's beautiful Reno backyard oasis into a winter wonderland. As always, this was one of the most anticipated and well-attended events of the year, and this year's party had a record-setting 64 guests. Upon entering the party, people were greeted with a mix of classic oldies and traditional Christmas songs, as well as two blow-up snowmen and a brilliantly decorated tiki bar. Huge ornaments dangled from the tall trees, snowflakes were hanging from twinkling light strands, and cheery tapestries decorated the tables. It definitely set the tone for the evening and got partygoers in the festive spirit.

Appetizers were circulating throughout the event, which included taquitos and crispy nachos. The evening also included a private bartender who was quite adept at crafting Manhattans, mai tais, and martinis. Those who wished to



imbibe a drink that went with the theme of the party were able to serve themselves from the big batch of specially made margaritas. Pacifico, Modelo, wine, soda, and assorted liquors were also available.

A local catering company prepared the food, including flour and corn tortillas filled with grilled chicken, steak, car-

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Merry Christmas

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nititas, refried beans, rice, guacamole, salsa, sour cream, cheese, and more. Freshly made cinnamon churros were crafted onsite and were the perfect way to end the meal.

Two lucky winners took home the coveted Christmas piñatas, which were stuffed with candy and alcohol. Tessy Albin and Erik Schumick will surely enjoy the assortment of holiday-themed schnapps and vodka for the remainder of the year leading up to the club's actual Christmas party in December. A few members of the San Francisco



Bay Area Club traveled from afar to attend the party, and they were very impressed with not only the quality of our club's parties, but also the amount of participants. David and Tessy Albin brought a large cake for everyone to celebrate their 45th anniversary. Several guests stayed late into the evening and enjoyed the cooler temperatures and convivial atmosphere.

Upcoming events that you don't want to miss are: the Annual Picnic and Play at Bartley Ranch in Reno on August 21, hosted by LaVern Lucovich; the Truckee Historical Drive & Dinner on September 18, hosted by David Albin; and Oktoberfest on October 1, hosted by Marcus Dodson. Events happen monthly, and there are opportunities to host for anyone who is interested. For more information and to sign up to host a First Tuesday Dinner or an event, contact Gail Wells. Stay up to date on future club events by searching for @SierraNevadaMBCA on Facebook. 

SEPTEMBER
18, 2021



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My Day at Laguna Seca

Going From Motorist to Driver at Exclusive AMG Driving Academy

by Chris Barker, Member, Sierra Nevada Section of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America

There are many flavors of AMG, the high-performance subsidiary of Mercedes®-Benz. In 2019, I purchased a soft-top AMG GT Roadster, which has lots of bells and whistles, including a 4.0-liter AMG V8 biturbo engine that can achieve 469 hp at 6,000 rpm. More importantly, it can go from 0-60 mph in 3.9 seconds. One of my favorite features of the car is that when you exit the vehicle in the dark, a light projects the AMG logo on the floor. It makes me feel like Batman being summoned in the clouds over Gotham.

My father owned several Mercedes during my childhood, and some of my earliest memories are of taking rides in the luxury cars with him and my family. I've officially lost count of how many Mercedes-Benz cars I've owned, but it's somewhere around ten. My new AMG GT Roadster is the first car



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I've had where as often as once a week, someone in the parking lot asks about the car. I've even had a few people follow me in traffic and ask me questions at stoplights. One young group of guys in Carmichael, California, asked me to rev the engine, and I was happy to oblige.

AMG engines are built by hand and

there is even a plaque mounted on the engine with the name and signature of the engineer who built that particular engine. My AMG engine was assembled by Alexander Oborin, and it has approximately 600 parts. Engineers at AMG train for at least two years before being given their own engine to prac-

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tice building. The manufacturing process and all of the engine's parts are tracked by a computer, too.

The AMG Driving Academy is a once-in-a-lifetime experience, and I had the privilege of attending the hands-on, exclusive event in 2019 at the Laguna Seca Raceway in Salinas, California. During this one-day event, I was given the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of vehicle dynamics and participate in customized driving exercises. It was an action-packed day that included practicing line technique, cornering, braking, vehicle control, and handling. The Performance Driving course that I attended is the prerequisite to higher levels of technical training at the AMG Driving Academy, including Advanced, Pro, Pro+, Drift, and Drift+. Those that attend all of the AMG Driving Academy courses are presented with a license to drive a car on any racetrack.



The day began at 7:30 a.m. and the schedule was jam-packed with instructional videos, seminars, and on-track driving. On this particular day, about 100 AMG owners were present, and we were divided into teams of 8-10 people, then handed over to an instructor. Each of the instructors had either professional racing experience or worked at a

racetrack prior to joining AMG. My instructor, Ashley, had previously raced Formula 1® cars.

Excitement was bubbling over when we were given our official AMG helmets for the day, complete with a racing balaclava. The helmets are equipped with headphones and a microphone,

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which clips into a stretchy cable for the transmitter/receiver in the vehicle. Prior to beginning the day's driving activities, we all took part in some calisthenics, including ear warming. It felt odd to do, but apparently it helps with conditioning your ears for the headphones in the helmets.

Throughout the day, we were given the opportunity to drive an assortment of cars, including the AMG GT, GT R, GT S, C63 S, SL63, E63 S, SLC 43, and C43. Mercedes provided at least 100 AMGs for the day, in different colors, and all had very low miles. Throughout the entire day, for every activity I was able to drive a different AMG. At the start of the day, Ashley advised us to use the Sport Plus setting on our cars, which automatically sets the exhaust to a sound similar to Formula 1 vehicles.

The first activity for my group was the paddock, which was essentially a very large, flat parking lot. The paddock has a skidpad and drag race, as well as a slalom-type section that maneuvers through a road-cone path. Acceleration, braking, and traction were the focal points for the paddock. The skidpad was generously sprayed with water, and we learned how to deliberately put the rear and/or front wheels into a skid, or drift, in the water. Several of these types of events were timed, and the team with the lowest combined times won some extra AMG swag. My main accomplishment at this morning activity was that I completed a 360° spinout on the skidpad. At the paddock, we also learned how to push the pedal to the metal for accelerating, as well as how to step on the brake and even lock the rear wheels in a controlled skid. It was during this part of the day that I learned how quickly an AMG can come to a stop.

The next activity was the drag race, which took place on a short track on the paddock that couldn't have been more than 2,000' long. Two side-by-side cars, with one driver in each, were put to the test to see how fast they could accelerate, as well as turn. At the end of the track, an overhead sign

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would either light up with a right or left arrow. The instructor would choose which arrow to light up, and we were all expected to turn at the blink of an eye and avoid barrier cones and still be able to stop within a designated box.

For the slalom event, two drivers were in each car and were expected to drive a course marked by small road cones within a large paddock of roads cones. Orange cones marked the route, while blue ones marked turns and where to accelerate. Early on, I figured out that it was advantageous to have my partner drive the course first. This way, I was able to learn the pathway through the cones as a passenger and then leverage that knowledge as the driver.

Laguna Seca is a dynamic racetrack that includes a 90° turn, a hairpin turn, and a famous corkscrew. Ashley led the way, and 4-5 cars would follow her in-



structions on when to accelerate, how much to brake, and how to navigate turns. The corkscrew required special consideration, due to its elevation drop of 109'. Ashley instructed us to accelerate uphill to the crest and turn at the appropriately placed pink cone. Thankfully, Mercedes did not penalize us for leaving fingernail marks in the steering wheel, because I was surely white-knuckled during this part of the track. It was also during this part of the day that I was grateful we had already practiced on the skidpad, for a spinout would have been unfortunate on Laguna Seca's turns.

Mercedes knew in advance what types of AMG cars we already owned, so naturally, they provided us with fancier, more exotic, and more expensive options for the day. My favorite of the day was the AMG GT-R, nicknamed The Beast. Both of its front and rear wheels can turn, which is called active rear-wheel steering, and the driving

was incredibly precise.

If you have the opportunity to attend the AMG Driving Academy, which has racetracks on the East and West Coasts of the United States, I encourage you to take it. I've always said that Mercedes-Benz is the only car brand for me, and this truly spectacular experience solidified that sentiment. 

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ITEMS of INTEREST

The National Automobile Museum

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- Members can request free guided tours of the museum, subject to the availability of the tour guides.

- Members receive a 10% discount at the National Auto Museum gift shop.

The museum has our member list on file, so just tell the cashier your name and that you're a member of the Sierra Nevada Section of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America.

The National Automobile Museum is located at 10 South Lake Street in Reno, (775) 333-9300.

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Video of the Month

Fishy Baseball Mascot...



Check out this funny video of a baseball mascot gone wild. Some may say that baseball is a sleepy sport, but when you have an energetic mascot like this, you can expect something fishy will happen. To watch the short, humorous video, click on the link below or scan the QR code with your smart phone:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BSj3jj7DHH4>



MEETING MINUTES

EVENTS

Sierra Nevada MBCA Board of Directors Meeting Location: The Dodson's Home Wednesday, June 30, 2021

CALL TO ORDER:

Gail Wells, President, called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Directors present were: Gail Wells, President; Christy Dodson, Secretary; LaVern Lucovich, Treasurer; Patti Lamski, Program Director; Marcus Dodson, Newsletter Editor; and Vencil Wells, Board Member. Also present were Carlos Lucovich and Gene Lamski.

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:

Christy Dodson confirmed there was a quorum of directors present.

MINUTES:

Gail Wells made a motion to approve the previous minutes as printed in the Newsletter. Marcus Dodson seconded the motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

LaVern Lucovich presented the Treasurer's Report. The Sierra Nevada Section of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America has \$4,489.90 in its bank account. This total amount includes the annual fees that are collected from businesses that advertise in the Newsletter. Gail Wells made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Christy Dodson seconded it.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Marcus Dodson read the Membership Report that was submitted by Marc Dodson, Membership Chair. As of April 2021, the club has 90 members. This total includes two new members and two expired members. Vencil Wells made a motion to approve the Membership Report and Christy Dodson seconded it.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ☛ Gail and Vencil Wells will be reimbursed \$580.00 for the June driving and dinner event at Lake Tahoe.
- ☛ Christy and Marcus Dodson will be reimbursed \$900.00 for their Annual Summer Backyard Party on July 17, 2021.
- ☛ Marcus Dodson proposed a way to get the Club's membership numbers up with a "Star of the Year" campaign. It would be a member recruit-

ment challenge with the incentive being a free Christmas dinner for the winner. The Board will discuss this idea further at the next meeting.

- ☛ The Board discussed all of the upcoming events for the remainder of 2021.

EVENTS:

- ☛ MaryAnn and Bob Tokle will host the July First Tuesday Dinner at Lakeside Bar and Grill in Reno, Nevada, on July 6, 2021.
- ☛ Christy and Marcus Dodson will host their Annual Summer Backyard Party at their home in Reno, Nevada, on July 17, 2021.
- ☛ Gail and Vencil Wells will host the August First Wednesday Dinner at Duke's Steakhouse at the Casino Fandango in Carson City, Nevada, on August 4, 2021.
- ☛ LaVern and Carlos Lucovich will host the Annual Picnic and Play at Bartley Ranch Regional Park in Reno, Nevada, on August 21, 2021. The deadline to RSVP is August 9, 2021.
- ☛ Tom and Grace Jenny will host the First Tuesday Dinner on September 7, 2021. The location is to be determined.
- ☛ Tessa and David Albin will host a dinner and drive to Zano's Family Italian and Pizzeria in Truckee, California, on September 18, 2021.
- ☛ Marcus and Christy Dodson will host an Oktoberfest Party at their home in Reno, Nevada, on October 1, 2021. They will submit receipts for beer, wine, and food.
- ☛ Rosemary and Dan Clune will host an event in October 2021. The date and location are to be determined.
- ☛ Ray Rich will host the Annual Christmas Party, which does not have a specific date yet. The Board discussed changing locations to Mario's Portofino Ristorante in Reno, Nevada, but no final decisions have been made yet.

NEXT MEETING:

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on October 1, 2021, at Christy and Marcus Dodson's home at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

LaVern Lucovich made a motion for the meeting to adjourn and Marcus Dodson seconded it. The motion was carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Christy Dodson, Secretary*

August 4, 2021: Sierra Nevada MBCA First Wednesday Dinner, hosted by Gail & Vencil Wells, Duke's Steakhouse, Carson City, Nevada. To RSVP, contact Gail at blackswan342@gmail.com or (307) 763-1701

August 13, 2021: Legends of the Auto-bahn National Event, hosted by the Sacramento MBCA Section, The Club at Pasadera, Monterey, California. To RSVP, contact David Michael at (415) 939-9000

August 21, 2021: Sierra Nevada MBCA Picnic & Play at Bartley Ranch Regional Park, Reno, Nevada, hosted by LaVern & Carlos Lucovich, Reno, Nevada. To RSVP, contact LaVern Lucovich at lipinski3541@gmail.com or (775) 882-4697

September 2, 2021: Sierra Nevada MBCA First Thursday Dinner & Drive, hosted by Gail & Vencil Wells, The Iron Door Restaurant, Graeagle, California. To RSVP, contact Gail Wells at blackswan342@gmail.com or (307) 763-1701

September 18, 2021: Sierra Nevada MBCA Dinner & Drive to Zano's Family Italian & Pizzeria, Truckee, California, hosted by Tessa & David Albin. To RSVP, contact Marcus Dodson at marcus@dodsonpublications.com or (775) 997-9901

September 18, 2021: Hot August Nights Classics & Cocktails, location to be determined. www.hotaugustnights.net, (775) 356-1956

October 1, 2021: Sierra Nevada MBCA Oktoberfest, Christy & Marcus Dodson's home, 1840 Wendy Way, Reno, Nevada. To RSVP, contact Marcus Dodson at marcus@dodsonpublications.com or (775) 997-9901

October 2, 2021: Hot August Nights Fall Frenzy 2021, Baldini's Casino, Sparks. www.hotaugustnights.net, (775) 356-1956

November 2, 2021: Sierra Nevada MBCA First Tuesday Dinner, location to be determined

December 2021: Sierra Nevada MBCA Christmas Party, hosted by Ray Rich, location & date to be determined. To RSVP, contact Ray Rich at rayrich@sbc-global.net or (775) 560-9592

IN CLOSING

Yearbook Quotes

Funny Words Immortalized in Print

by Marcus Dodson, Newsletter Editor

(Editor's Note: The following story may have absolutely nothing to do with Mercedes or automobiles, but we feel it's interesting nonetheless. If you have a humorous or interesting story you would like to submit for this column, call us at (775) 997-9901.)

For many, a yearbook quote is an opportunity to reflect back on those precious high school years and say thank you to family, friends, and teachers. For a select few, however, it's a chance to get in one last zinger and leave a lasting impression in print.

