

### **HUDSON-MOHAWK Section**

Mercedes-Benz Club of America SPECIAL EDITION

## THE RALLY IN THE FINGERLAKES

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MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW! THERE ARE A LIMITED NUMBER OF DISCOUNTED ROOMS BLOCKED FOR THE CLUB. Ramada Geneva Lakefront Hotel (315) 789-0400



#### Meet and Greet" on Friday October 24th at 6:30 PM

We will begin in the Albany area for a caravan tour to the hotel, in the heart of New York's wine region. If you take the caravan scenic route on Historic Route 20 there will be many interesting things to see, making getting to the Ramada Lakefront Hotel very enjoyable. Route twenty used to be the fastest way to get to Buffalo New York. Those wishing to drive without touring can meet us there, where the fun weekend will begin. We will gather at the beautiful Ramada Geneva Lakefront Hotel (315) 789-0400. 41Lakefront Dr. Rte. 5 & 20 Geneva NY 144456 Friday afternoon at 6PM for a Meet and Greet with free tasty hot and cold appetizers and a cash bar.

Accommodations: The Geneva Ramada Lakeside will be our host hotel for the weekend. Room charges are not included and you must make your own reservation. A limited number of rooms have been blocked for us with a special rate of \$150 inside and \$160 lakeside, per night for double occupancy. Details, times and reservation info will be sent to all who register for the fun adventure.

**On Saturday morning** we will rally from 9:00 am to approximately 11:30 am. We will then board our 34 passenger luxury bus with bathroom and leather seats (website http://www.linqserv.com/).Box lunches will be served at noon. We will return around 5:00 pm in plenty of time to freshen up for dinner. While the exact wineries are still being determined, they will include the best in the region of over 80 vineyards.

**On Saturday evening** we will assemble for a wonderful three course meal and some light-hearted Rally awards.

**Cost:** \$150 per car (\$75 for each additional person over two.) Included in the per car cost is: Friday night's Meet and Greet, Saturday's Rally, Box lunch and Winery Tour, Saturday Evening dinner and Awards Presentation. Please make checks payable to MBCA Hudson -Mohawk Section. The Registration form is included. Send it to Ron Tanner. 24 Pleasant View Drive, Hudson NY 12534 Email:exqqme06@yahoo.com Phone: 518-822-1664 The Deadline for Registration is Friday, October 16th. Those who have enjoyed our rallies and tours in the past will find this to be another great weekend event.



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If you have any questions ask Ron our Rally Master or Chuck Trimarchi, vice president and assistant Rally Master chucktrimarchi@yahoo.com 518.869.6542

We thank Bob Handzo, President of the Finger Lakes Region and his wife Judy for their first class work on this event ensuring that it will be a very successful and fun event.

(handzo912@frontiernet.netSaund ra Griffin, our membership chairperson will be hosting an expedition on Sunday to the nearby outlet shops. Come join her for the Shopping Caravan! Eat Sunday breakfast and then go to the Waterloo Premium Outlet Mall. Share all your great finds over lunch. Shop designer fashions Ann Taylor-Jones New York, Coach, Brooks Brothers, and Chico's.

### REGISTRATION FORM Hudson-Mohawk Section MBCA 2014 Fall Rally and Winery Tour

Yes, I am looking forward to a fun filled, enjoyable rally and winery tour.

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address

Phone #\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_

Name(s) of car occupants \_\_\_\_\_

(\$75 for each additional person \_\_\_\_\_

I will \_\_\_\_\_ will not \_\_\_\_\_ require room reservations. Saturday Evening Dinner Choices:

Chicken and pesto grilled shrimp with tomato salsa,

Stuffed fillet of sole w/ crabmeat and scallop stuffing,

Sliced top sirloin with mushroom cabernet sauce

Contact Ron Tanner if you have special dietary needs.

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope this has been an enjoyable summer for all of you. We have tried to offer some entertaining, educational and fun events.

To ensure that we are providing what you need and like, please give us as much feedback as you can. We love compliments but to get a complete assessment of how we're doing we need to know about programs you'd like and improvements that you suggest.

With that in mind we are going to put our newsletter on line on FACE BOOK. It will always be there for you to interact with. When an event is planned we will be able to read your comments and when it is completed you will immediately see photos and descriptions of the events, the participants, and their cars. Please tag yourself and people you know in the pictures. We have a trial version of this online now.

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Our next event is our rally, road trip and wine tasting event in the Finger Lakes in central New York. It is very beautiful this time of year. Register now. You won't be disappointed. All the details are in this letter. I hope to see you there

Jim

Our next issue will be called "ARTICLES FROM THE BLUE SCREEN OF DEATH". If you are a computer Geek you'll know exactly what I mean. When your computer crashes" things just go away." Some stories have been resurrected. They will be in the next newsletter, which is being assembled now We started our year with a regional lunch for members in the Poughkeepsie area. It was planned and hosted by Werner Steigler. Barbara Lawson wrote this story. The Hudson Mohawk Mercedes Benz Club kicked off its 2014 season on Saturday March 1, 2014 with an informal "Cabin Fever Luncheon, at Shadows on the Hudson in Poughkeepsie, NY. The long winter and bitter cold did little to dampen our spirits. The afternoon was filled by the warmth of friendship and camaraderie and enthusiasm for the clubs upcoming events. The menu had something to please every palette and I have to mention the delectable deserts such as the individual apple pies and the s'mores Sundae. The event was planned by member Werner Stiegler, of Hopewell Junction ,NY. Great job Werner!!

Here are some fun facts that we learned about some of the members who came to the luncheon. Werner is a councilman in the Town of Beekman, he loves driving his 1985 Mercedes 500 SL. His wife Mary loves to sew and is a member of the American Sewing Guild. James Tedeschi is very proud to be only the second owner of a 1964 Mercedes 220 SEB. He has owned the car since 1970. This would be a great car to bring to our annual car show at the Saratoga Car Museum, on July 19, 2014. He and his wife Roxanne are both retired and also enjoy riding their Harley Davidson. Dick and Barbara Piro have a Mercedes 350 CLK and an SL500. Dick said that was the best car he has ever had. They like to split their time between their home in Naples, Florida and Poughkeepsie, NY. Dick is a member of our club and the South-West Florida Mercedes Club. He said he loves cars. They like many of our members like boating and golfing, including Kirk Daniels who is an avid golfer he is looking forward to the club's Golf Outing at the Briar Creek Golf Course on Saturday May 17, 2014 .You can bring your best golfing buddies .Even if you don't golf please consider joining us on the "19th hole" at 6;00 PM for or a nice dinner buffet so we can find out who really had a hole in one .This should be a great turnout. Chuck and Bobbi Trimarchi have been happily married for 46 years. They joined the club when they had a 1973 Mercedes 450SL which they owned until 2011. They now enjoy driving a 2003 Mercedes CLK 320 Cabriolet. Bobbi told us that she has the world's five most brilliant and beautiful grandchildren. She and Chuck love spending time with them .They are five very lucky children. Who knows maybe someday Chuck will get one of the kids behind the wheel of his Mercedes and they will become club members. Glenn and Barbara Lawson will be driving their 1999 Mercedes SL 500 to Redondo Beach, CA this summer to attend Glenn's daughter's wedding. In a small car like this packing for a long trip is a real challenge (for her not him). Saundra Griffin enjoyed a well-deserved vacation in sunny Disney World with her daughter and Granddaughter and family. When you share the Magic of Disney with a child , it is truly the happiest place on earth. Our president Jim Wright said he has had ENOUGH of the winter and hated going out in the cold. I think we all share that sentiment this year. I know that everyone who attended had a wonderful afternoon and left believing that spring really is right around the corner.

I know that our President and Board Members have worked very hard this year to plan wonderful events. So please join us for as many events as you can. Look we already know that we all have one thing in common , a Mercedes Benz, so come and rekindle old friendships and make new ones .You know what they say you can never have too many friends .

Glenn Buononato	New Paltz		Beverly Ivey	Albany
George Busher	Glenville	WELCOME! new members.	Robert Laporta	Claverack
Douglas Clayton	Clifton Park	We look	Mark Lukens	Peru
Timothy Coughtry	Altamont	forward to meeting you.	Michael McNeany	Altamont
Kirk Daniels	Schenectady	We know you will be happy	Michael Okby	Saratoga Springs
Linda Haight	Northville	you joined	William Pagano	Gloversville
Anthony Ianniello	<b>Clifton Park</b>	HUDMO	Gregory Serio	Latham
James Winn	<b>Clifton Park</b>			





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