





2010

December

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5th Election, 22nd First day of Winter, 25th Christmas, 31st New Year's Eve			1	2	3	4
5 Election 6:30 PM @ Chop's	6	7	8	9	10	11
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Mercedes-Benz Club of America



Three Rivers Tribune

2010: What some of our members might be doing; these are NOT scheduled or official MBCA or section events

1/9 SAT NOON at Liberty Diner II

1/16-24 SAT-SUN Detroit Auto Show (NAIAS) -- Cobo Hall

3/12 FRI Jeff's Coney - Georgetown Sq 7:00 PM

4/10 SAT NOON at Liberty Diner II

5/2 SUN Warsaw Chinese \$10 per vehicle

6/8 TUES Mercedes-Benz of Ft Wayne E-class Cabriolet 6:30

6/12-13 SAT-SUN Week-end trip

7/10 SAT Three Rivers parade - AM \$10 per vehicle

7/10 SAT Liberty Diner II - PM

9/4 SAT RM Auctions - Auburn \$10 per person w/ windshield 'decal' or MBCA membership card

10/9 SAT NOON at Liberty Diner II

12/5 SUN Christmas dinner & Election - Chop's @ 6:30PM

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President's Message

For financial purposes this section will publish a web edition on our MBCA web site (www.mbca.org), and e-mail an Adobe (.pdf) newsletter copy every month to members with an e-mail address; plus we will also mail (Mar/Jun/Sep/Dec) a hardcopy newsletter to members as well. If you have an e-mail or your **e-mail address has changed**, please inform the newsletter editor at: Lspeedo@yahoo.com. We will try to send reminder notices out to the membership when a 'happening' is drawing near. Also, we ask for a donation of \$10 per vehicle or person, depending on the type of 'happening', for our 'happenings'; see previous page.

If anyone wants to run for a section position - please send your nomination(s) to the editor: Lspeedo@yahoo.com. Elections will be held at our annual Christmas dinner, this year's party will be at Chop's restaurant on Jefferson Blvd on Sunday 5 December 2010 at 6:30PM; call Bob Derek Sr at 422.2278 to make your reservation or e-mail him at: dspksm@aol.com

Sincerely,

Lawrence C. Spedden

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www.fwscca.com Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) - local chapter

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www.midohio.com Mid-Ohio...close to Mansfield OH

www.theglen.com Watkins Glen at Watkins Glen NY

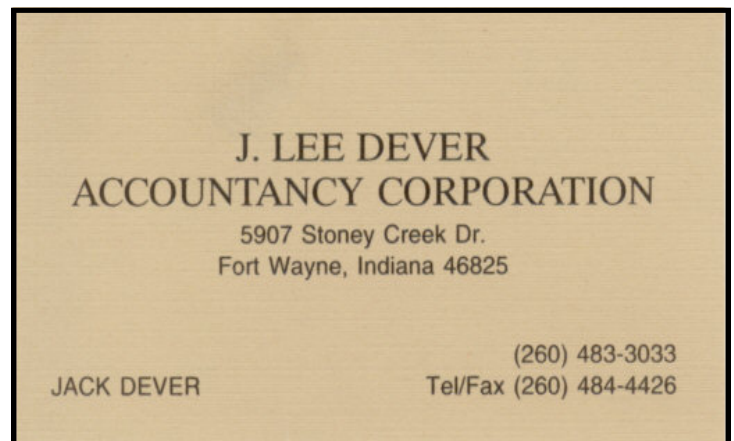


Happy Birthday to us

Birthdays for December

Business Cards

Advertise; send your business card and/or ad plus payment to the treasurer, see page 3. Business card \$60 yr/\$5 mo, 1/4 page \$120 yr/\$10 mo, 1/2 page \$240 yr/\$20 mo, full page \$480 yr/\$40 mo. Non-member rates are double.



Welcome New Member(s) MBCA is transitioning to their/our new website, which is up and running; the membership portion is now available. Other portions as well as upgrades will be phased in slowly, so we can adjust to it and get comfortable with the new way.

Second Saturday of the quarter (Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct),
precluding unusual circumstances

- Jan 9 2010 noon Liberty Diner II
- Apr 10 2010 noon Liberty Diner II
- Jul 10 2010 PM Liberty Diner II
- Oct 9 2010 noon Liberty Diner II



A club survives based on new ideas and new blood (members) - mostly new blood; if a club does not work to recruit and retain new members all the time, it won't be around very long. This is **YOUR** club be pro-active, everybody should try and bring a non-member to every one of our 'happenings'. **Want to be involved? Call one of the Board of Directors; we have room for you and your ideas on the Board of Directors!**

MBCA Second Section Membership

Don't miss the **fun** when you are in the **sun**! For \$15, you can upgrade your club membership to a Second Section, and enjoy the full benefits of club membership at your second home. Call the MBCA at 1-800-637-2360 to upgrade today!

There is a New MBCA a'coming!

Based on member non-member comments, and with the help of a consultant MBCA is being totally re-vamped from top to bottom. The process began last month and is expected to be completed by the end of this year. Some business processes that use to be performed at the National Business Office (NBO) will be performed on the website. One of those processes is new members, currently by the time a new member fills out an application to join and the section gets wind of a new member, two months have elapsed; the new on-line process take 2 minutes -- YEA!!! Keep checking the website, as dramatic changes will be evolving throughout the year. The new website is set to debut by September. Stay tuned.

It is here, try the new improved MBCA, same website: www.mbca.org