



Triangle Section



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President's Message

Hello Triangle Section

We are continuing to reduce cost for the newsletter publication and have gone away from the more costly template to a generic template that allows us to format and produce the newsletter ourselves without the need to hire outside contractors. Please bear with us as we struggle to find the right look and feel. Also, if anyone of our members has experience in producing a newsletter, please contact me. As you can tell, I sure could use your help.

The Section has continued on a streak of bad weather luck.

The July 24th game during A Night at The Durham Bulls event had to be delayed at the last moment because we were experiencing 100+ degree heat and it was too dangerous to play earlier in the afternoon. Many of the participants of the car show decided it was going to be too hot and too late to attend. We thank the Bulls Organization for trying to arrange the special game night activity and for inviting the Triangle Section-MBCA. Maybe next year...

This year's Shelton Vineyards event happened to coincide with Hurricane Irene's arrival in North Carolina. (You may recall our April Wilmington event was during the tornados.) I was unable to attend, but received several telephone calls telling me what I was missing. It sounded as if everyone there was having a good time and were enjoying the company of various other Section members.

Please consider volunteering for a committee or officer position. We need fresh ideas and styles to keep our Section relevant and interesting. If you are interested contact me via email or telephone.

Your leadership team will continue to enhance the way we conduct the Section's activities and your comments are always welcomed.

As always, I know your time is valuable and I continue to promise business meetings will follow an agenda, start and end on time. Please consider attending. It is, after all, your club!

Regards,
Terry

Triangle Section Events

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Shelton Vineyards M-B Car Show

The Triangle Section has had some unusual events weather this year. First, it was the tornados for the April sightseeing cruise and now Hurricane Irene for the Shelton Vineyard show.

Attendance was respectable this year, all things considered. There were approximately 40 Mercedes-Benz in the show. Even the weather cooperated as Shelton Vineyards proved to be just outside of the outer bands of Irene.

Best of Show went to Jim Ballheim of Virginia for his 1957 300SL and the Triangle Section's Fred Hayes walked away with the Second Place trophy.

To help extend the weekend fun, Charlie Bronk arranged for a brunch and wine tasting in Winston-Salem Sunday, August 28th (along with members of the AACA) at his son's store, Wine Merchants Gourmet & Vin 205 Wine Bar.

Hopefully next year's event will occur without the benefit of hurricanes or tornados.



Shelton Vineyards - 2011

Q3 - 2011 Calendar of Events

- **July 12th**
Business Meeting - Crazy Fire Mongolian Grill, 7201 Old Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh, NC (south of I-540 & Capital Blvd). Telephone (919) 876-2222 (919) 876-2222. 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Dinner at 6:00 for those wishing to eat.)
- **July 24th**
Durham Bulls Car Club Night- Come out and join car clubs from across the Triangle at the Durham Bulls Ball Park. Event starts at 5 p.m. Members will have protected and reserved parking on the top floor of parking deck. Please contact Evan Maxwell at kartek@aol.com for details.
- **August 27th**
Shelton Vineyards Winery Tour and M-B Car Show - Mid-summer car show at Shelton Vineyards and Winery in Dobson, NC. Tour the winery and lunch on the property at the Harvest Grill while displaying your car at the show. Contact Shelton Vineyards for details and entry form. www.sheltonvineyards.com
- **August 28th**
Antique and Classic Car Brunch - The Triangle Section is invited to an Antique and Classic Car Brunch Sunday, July 28 at Wine Merchants Gourmet & Vin 205 Wine Bar, located at 205 S. Stratford Rd. in the Tower Center, near Business U.S. 40, Winston-Salem from 11:30 AM to 2:30PM. Call 336-765-8175 336-765-8175 to make reservations and visit www.vin205.com for the menu. This would be a great stop on the return trip from Shelton Vineyards and a chance to meet some AACA Club members!
- **September 13th**
Business Meeting – Bavarian Brathaus, 4010 Durham Chapel Hill Blvd, Durham, NC 27707. Telephone (919) 381-6412 (919) 381-6412. 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Dinner at 6:00 p.m. for those wishing to eat and sample the German Beers.)

Business Meeting and Oktoberfest

In honor Oktoberfest, the September Business Meeting will be held at the Bavarian Brathaus, 4010 Durham Chapel Hill Blvd, Durham, NC 27707. Telephone (919) 381-6412 (919) 381-6412.

Come on out for some delicious German food and sample good German draught beers. The Bavarian Brathaus has a full menu of authentic German foods.

Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. for those wishing to eat and sample the German Beers. The meeting will convene at 7:00 P.M and be wrapped up by 8:30 P.M.



Special Event

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Pictures of the 2011 Shelton Vineyards Tour and Car Show.

Best of Show Jim Ballheim



Fred Hayes



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