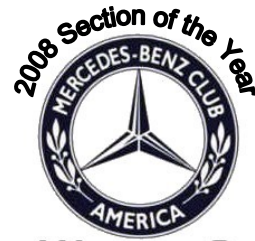


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Fourth Quarter, 2022

NEXT EVENT: Holiday Luncheon at the Colonial Country Club, Saturday, December 10, 11am-2:30pm

Our 2022 Holiday Celebration will be a buffet lunch at the famous Colonial Country Club, site of the Charles Schwab Challenge professional golf tournament. Let us jump start the holidays with good food, games, prizes, and camaraderie with our fellow MBCA members. The agenda, menu and other details follow below.



Fort Worth Section's Holiday Luncheon at the Colonial Country Club Saturday, December 10, 2022, 11am-2:30pm

When: Saturday, December 10, 2022, 11am-2:30pm.
Where: The Colonial Country Club, 3735 Country Club Circle, Fort Worth, 817-927-4200. Map below.
Room: Leonard Room. Enter the clubhouse and take the stairs or elevator (to the right of the entrance) up one floor.
Attire: Sportcoat and dress shirt (tie optional), slacks for the men, and elegant dress, blouse and skirt, or pants for the ladies.

NOTE: Space is limited. Sign up now and pay the event fee to assure your spot(s). First come, first served.

Cost and Signup: The cost of this event will be \$50 per person. Cocktails and wine can be purchased at the cash bar at additional cost. Please sign up as early as you can so we can give the Colonial an accurate headcount and assure enough food, drink and space for everyone. Family and friends of MBCA members are welcome. You have 2 ways to pay for the event fee:.

1) **To pay the event fee online using your credit card:** Go to our website, www.mbcafortworth.org, click the [Event Calendar](#) button, then select this event. Locate the payment button for this event's online write-up, and follow the instructions. Your online payment serves as your registration.

2) **To pay with a check:** Register and send your payment as soon as possible. Email DJ de Jesus, djdejesus@charter.net, or call (817) 319-3033 to sign up. Make your check payable to MBCA, and send to DJ de Jesus, 4159 Charron Lane, Fort Worth, TX 76116.

AGENDA (times are approximate):

11:00AM - COCKTAILS:

Cash Bar opens.

11:30 - BUFFET LUNCH:

The sumptuous Colonial Signature Buffet will comprise of the following:

Salads:

- Texas Salad with Wichita Falls Greens, Goat Cheese, Blueberries, Strawberries, Toasted Pecans, Lemon Poppy Seed Dressing
- Pesto Pasta Salad with Tomatoes and Black Olives
- Red and Yellow Watermelon Salad with Cucumber, Basil, Tomato, and Feta

Meats and Fish:

- Pan Seared Salmon with Lemon Caper Sauce
- Chicken Fried Steak with Pepper Gravy
- Herb-Roasted Chicken Breast with Honey-Garlic Aioli

Sides:

- Fried Okra, Mashed Ranch Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetable Medley, Buttermilk Biscuits

Desserts:

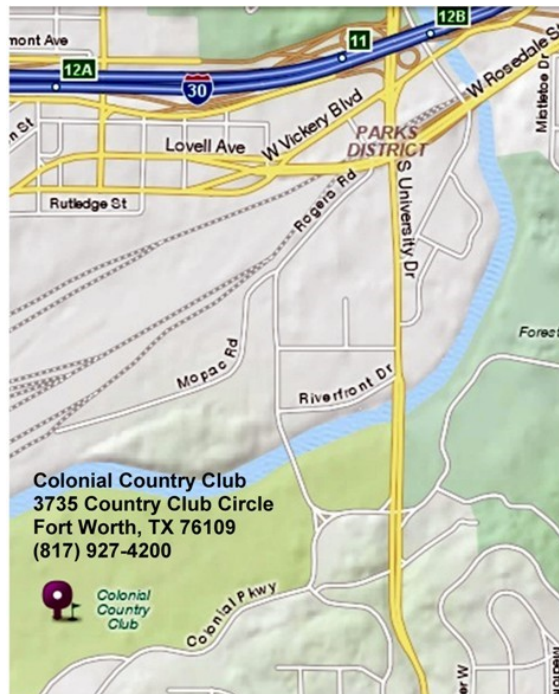
- Apple Cobbler, Mini Banana Pudding, Pecan Tarts, Peach and Cream Trifles

Beverages: Coffee and tea included. Alcoholic beverages may be ordered at the cash bar at additional cost.

1:15PM - 2:30PM: GAME, PRIZES AND SOCIAL.

Cash Bar (Cash or Credit Cards accepted): Open throughout the event for liquor, cocktails, beer, wine by the glass, sodas, and other beverages.

Parking: You may use our prepaid valet parking (you may tip the valet), or you may self-park (free parking on premises).



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Fort Worth Section Meetings at Park Place Fort Worth

The Fort Worth Section board meets at 6:00 pm on the first Wednesday of every quarter. We encourage attendance, suggestions and exchange of ideas from any MBCA member. The meetings are held at Park Place Motorcars Fort Worth, 5601 S Bryant Irvin Road, Fort Worth.



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Prior Event Report - Fort Belknap and Graham, TX, September 17, 2022



The caravan en route to Fort Belknap.

Thirty-one folks in 16 cars joined us for a country drive, a visit to historic Fort Belknap in Newcastle, a delicious buffet lunch at the Graham Country Club, and a visit to Graham's Old Post Office Museum at the center of the town's courthouse square, the largest such square in the country.

Our first destination was Fort Belknap, which was established in 1851 as a northern anchor on the Texas frontier line of defense. The garrison protected travelers and settlers from raids by the Kiowa and Comanche Indians. A handful of buildings remain in the park-like setting, and a small museum in the old commissary chronicles frontier history.



The Alexander Hogue mural at the Old Post Office.

After seeing the fort, we proceeded to the Graham Country Club for a delicious buffet lunch. Thanks to MBCA members and Graham residents Bennie and Dorothy Lane for sponsoring our group at their private club, and for showing us around after lunch.

After lunch, we visited Graham's Old Post Office Museum, a historic building on Graham's courthouse square. Unfortunately, the museum was closed for renovation. However, we were let in by one of the directors who showed us part of the art deco interior and the mural "Oil Fields Of Graham" by Alexandre Hogue. The US government commissioned artists to paint murals to adorn its old post offices, which were much more ornate in the 1930s. The event ended here, but some members explored Graham's square and the site of the old Graham Salt Works on their own before the drive home.



The gang at Fort Belknap.



Period artillery at Fort Belknap.



Site of Graham's old Salt Works.



Enjoying lunch at the Graham Country Club.



Photo op by the Old Post Office Museum.



The lineup at the Graham Country Club.

Prior Event Report - Norwegian Day, Norse, TX, Saturday, October 8, 2022



The lineup at the Old Norse Church.

Fourteen folks in 7 cars joined us for a trip to Norse, which was once a bustling settlement of Norwegian immigrants in Bosque County. Only about 100 widely-dispersed people remain in this community today.

We had a country buffet lunch at Johnny's Place in Clifton, stopped at the historic Ringness House Museum, and then visited two beautifully preserved, historic churches and their adjoining cemeteries.

The restored Ringness House was the home of early Norwegian pioneers Jens and Kari Ringness. Worship services were held there before Our Savior's Lutheran Church was established. A monument was erected in 1931 at the site of these services. Also on the property is the blacksmith's shop where Ole Ringness invented the disk plow.

Our Savior's, Lutheran Church, also known as the Old Norse Church, is still in regular use today. Cleng Peerson, "The Father of Norwegian Immigration," is buried in the cemetery adjacent to the church along with other notable pioneers. This area was visited by King Olav V of Norway in 1982 to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Cleng Peerson's birth.

The second structure is the newer but arguably more famous St. Olaf's Kirke, also known as the Old Rock Church. It is no longer in regular use due to the demise of its congregation. The subject of several Country & Western songs, it is now a venue for weddings and other special occasions.

Many thanks to Mark Varhaug, president of the Norwegian Society of Texas, his wife Elizabeth, and guide Laurie Aars, who shared their historical perspective on the Norwegian community in Bosque County and on the venues we visited. Thanks also to members Hugh & Ana Graves for their wonderful aerial photos.



The group at the Ringness House.



St. Olaf's Kirke, the Old Rock Church, its adjoining cemetery and surrounding landscape.



Laurie Ars guides us at the Ringness House.



Interior of Our Savior's Lutheran Church.



Lunch at Johnny's Place in Clifton.



Inside the Rock Church.



Exploring Our Savior's Norse Cemetery.



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