

**NEXT EVENT! The Last Visit: Texas Civil War Museum (and Boo Ray's Lunch), White Settlement, TX, Saturday, September 16, 9:50am**



We were saddened to hear that the Texas Civil War Museum is closing its doors for good at the end of the year. There will likely never be such an extensive private collection on public display again. The museum is one of the best kept secrets of west Fort Worth, featuring a superb collection of weapons, swords, uniforms, flags and other artifacts. It also features a short movie on Texas in the Civil War, a dedicated gallery for authentic Victorian Era dresses and a nice gift shop. Join us and learn about Texas' role in the War Between the States, attempts by the Union Army to take Texas territory and

the battles fought by Texans during the war. After our museum visit, we will take a back roads drive to Boo Ray's for a group lunch.

**Date and Time:** Saturday, September 16, 9:50am. Please be on time - we will distribute some trip handouts, then begin our museum visit promptly at 10am.

**Meeting Place:** Texas Civil War Museum, 760 Jim Wright Freeway, North (Loop 820), Fort Worth, (817) 246-2323. See directions and map below.

**Lunch Venue:** Boo Ray's of New Orleans, 5728 Boat Club Rd, Fort Worth. (817) 236-6149. Order from the menu. Separate checks. Pay your own. 20% gratuity will be included in your check. Please feel free to increase the tip if you are pleased with the food and service.

**Signup and Costs:**

We will charge an event fee of \$10 per person for each attendee. Non-member guests are welcome. The event fee will cover museum admission and other club expenses. Lunch at Boo Ray's is pay your own. We will make our individual selections from the menu. Help us out by signing up as soon as you can. We need to apprise headcount to our venues. You have 2 ways to pay:

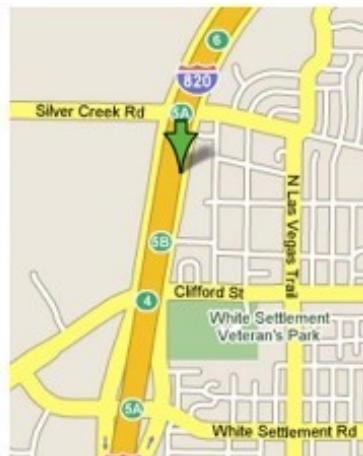
1) To pay the event fee online using your credit card:

Go to our website, [www.mbcafortworth.org](http://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. [Click](#) to email DJ de Jesus, 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.

**Directions and Map to the Texas Civil War Museum:** From Downtown Fort Worth, head west on I-30. Go north on Loop 820. Take Exit 5B (Silver Creek Road Exit) and stay on the access road. The Texas Civil War Museum will be on your right. If you are coming from North Fort Worth (north of the Museum, or from Azle, Lake Worth, etc.), from West Loop 820 take Exit 5A (Clifford Street Exit), make a U Turn at Clifford Street and stay on the access road. The Texas Civil War Museum will be on your right.



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**MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS**

**1980 Mercedes 450SL.** 63K miles, in family past 16 years, everyday driver until retirement 5 years ago, painted once, original engine and transmission, both tops included, extensive records maintained, mechanically sound, all pneumatics replaced in climate control system, very dependable and solid, everything works, exclusive use of OEM parts during service and maintenance, all original except radio; spare parts, books, and cover included, car originally sold in Dallas, TX. \$10,500, located in Crowley, TX. Duerk Reimer, 817-909-7448.

**1983 380SL.** 121K miles. I've owned this vehicle since 1991. Approaching my 78th birthday I find it more difficult to get in and out of. I had a major tune up on the vehicle in 2014 by Loeffler's European Automobiles. Driven only 3,757 miles since the tune up. The tune up included replacing many engine parts, gaskets, the timing chain, fuel distributor and engine warm up regulator. The car really runs great. The air conditioning needs some attention. Asking \$10,000 or best offer. John H. Lewis, 817-475-3476, Arlington, TX.

**2003 CL55 AMG.** Immaculate and pristine. 47K miles. Black/Black. Presents as new, all OEM. Completely stock, no modifications. Originally a one-owner California car, then cared for by Mercedes-Benz of Grapevine in Texas. Carfax, original window sticker included in records. \$30,000. Thomas Hughes, [hughes.thomas@icloud.com](mailto:hughes.thomas@icloud.com).

See other ads and pictures of all items on the [Classifieds](#) page of the Fort Worth website, [www.mbcafortworth.org](http://www.mbcafortworth.org).

# Prior Event Report - Frescos Cocina Mexicana and Lost Oak Winery, June 24, 2023



Arrival at Burleson, TX.

Thirty folks in 17 cars joined us for a nice country drive, a Mexican lunch at Frescos Cocina Mexicana, and a visit to the Lost Oak Winery in Burleson for wine-tasting and a winery tour.

Our event started with a backroads drive to Burleson. We had a great Mexican lunch at the highly-rated Frescos, located in the heart of Burleson's downtown.



Lunch at Frescos Cocina Mexicana.

After lunch, we proceeded to the Lost Oak Winery, also in Burleson. We split into two groups then enjoyed a pretty comprehensive winery tour and tasting led by guides who obviously loved their craft. We were particularly impressed by a nice grape crop which benefited from the recent rains in our area. We were (kind of) undeterred by the summer sun and the 100-degree heat.

After the tour and tasting, some of us remained at the winery to enjoy Lost Oak's excellent viognier and bar eats.



At the Lost Oak Vineyards.



Air-conditioned relief.



The barrel room.



Summer sun? No problem. Kinda.



Guided winery tour.



Wine tasting in full swing.

**Prior Event Report - Watts Cookin' BBQ! Irving, TX, July 22, 2023**



Lots of cool Mercedes at the Watts' today.

Teresa and Chris Watt invited the club for lunch at their home. Around thirty folks enjoyed great Texas BBQ ribs, accompanied by a nice salad, cole slaw, beans, plus iced tea and soda, and home-baked cookies. Members BYOB'd to enjoy lunch with their favorite libation. It was impossible to go home hungry.

After lunch, teams of randomly-selected members were formed to compete for prizes by playing an abbreviated game of pool - the two teams with the highest scores won prizes for each team member. The results were:

First Place - Team E: Scott Williamson, Denise Etcheson, Ron Rubin and Buzz Bartlett. Each team member got a colorful Mercedes-Benz coffee mug.

Runner-Up - Team B: John Wintermote, Lou Hemler, Yolanda Borroel and Carol Pinkston. Each team member got a Mercedes-Benz EQ stainless steel reusable straw set.

After our game and more socializing, we left for home on our own. Special thanks to Teresa and Chris for cooking and hosting a great event, Ernie Borroel for his famous sausage and chicken wings, and to Paula Bartlett for bringing even more goodies, especially her home-baked peanut butter cookies.



James Weber, Denise Etcheson, Mary & John Wintermote.



The cooks! Chris & Teresa Watt, Ernie Borroel.



Enjoying the shade and the golf course.



Ron Rubin tries to sink one.



It was surprisingly pleasant outside.



First place winners.



The runners up.

## Prior Event Report - Park Place Fort Worth's Electrified!, August 12, 2023



GM George Johnson & MBCA Executive Director Katie Carruth.

Around 35 folks attended Park Place Motorcars Fort Worth's Electrified event. Park Place's knowledgeable staff presented Mercedes-Benz's exciting lineup of new electric vehicles, their unique features, operation and technology.

Members enjoyed breakfast pastries and a complete coffee bar, courtesy of Park Place. After breakfast, General Manager George Johnson, New Car Sales Director Nolan Bedford and EQ Ambassador Rylen Sibley presented Mercedes-Benz's execution of what their intelligent electric cars should be. A Q&A session followed. Afterward, members were invited to test-drive the complete lineup of EQ vehicles - EQB, EQE and EQS sedans and SUVs. Katie Carruth, MBCA Executive Director, flew in from Colorado to attend this special event.



Fort Worth Section ladies with their goodie bags.

Thanks to George Johnson and his expert staff for hosting a very informative and fun event, which all of us enjoyed. Our appreciation goes to Jennifer Naylor, whose preparation helped assure a seamless event. Thanks also to member Kris Ikejiri for sharing his excellent photos.



The presentation is in full swing.



Full coffee bar for everyone to enjoy.



Goodie bags for all.



The stage is set. This is the awesome AMG EQS!



Time for test drives.



Having fun while trying out Mercedes EV's.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you have received a paper copy of our newsletter via the USPS, this means that we are unable to contact you via email. Maybe your email address has changed or you have not provided one to the club.

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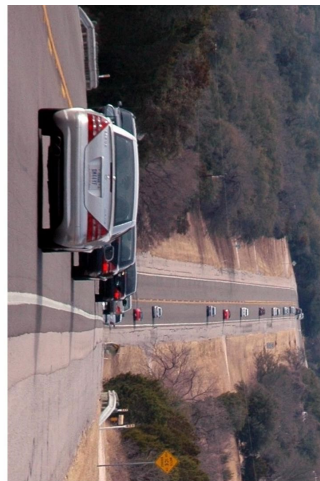
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