

Member Rebate Program:

The MBCA has partnered with Mercedes-Benz USA for its Member Rebate program. Active primary members are eligible for exclusive savings of up to \$7000 on the lease or purchase of select Mercedes-Benz vehicles. The rebate incentives are available only for qualified members on certain 2020 and 2021 Mercedes-Benz models. The value of the rebate depends on the model offered as part of the program. As an MBCA member, you are eligible after 30 days of membership without lapses. The incentives may change and be updated approximately every month. See the national website mbca.org for current savings and instructions. We hope you will avail of this excellent program. Call your dealer first to confirm your eligibility and to know which models qualify for savings. For questions, please call the National Business Office at (800) 637-2360.

NEXT EVENT:

BBQ and Wine Touring Event, Belton and Valley Mills, TX, Saturday, July 24, 7:30am



Join us for a Texas BBQ and wine-tasting tour. From Fort Worth, we will drive to Belton on scenic roads less traveled. Our first destination will be Miller's Smokehouse for lunch. Texas Monthly says this is one of the best BBQ joints in the world (but surely they mean Texas?) They do not take reservations, so we need to have an early start so we can arrive before they open for lunch and line up. After lunch, we will proceed to the beautiful Valley Mills Vineyard for wine tasting. This tasting is an optional activity - you may proceed home after lunch. The winery will require you to navigate a steep flight of stairs - please keep that in mind if you opt to join us for the wine-tasting. Please note that the drive will be a bit longer than our usual day trips,

hence the early start, but we think it'll be worth it. Pay for your own lunch and wine tasting (\$20 for a flight of 4 wines.)

Note: While Covid infections appear to be declining, we are not out of the woods yet. We will be applying the Covid precautions as we have done in the past.

Cost and Signup:

The cost of this event will be \$5 per person to cover sundry event planning expenses. Lunch and wine tasting will be pay your own. Help us plan a good time for all by signing up now!

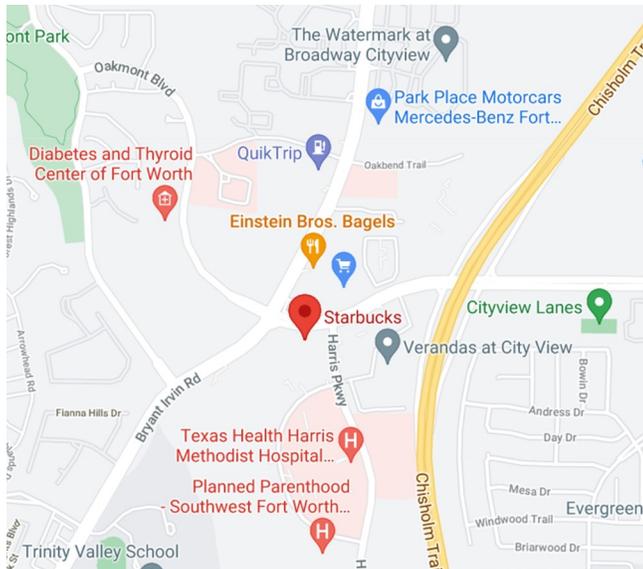
1) **To pay online using your credit card:**

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.

2) **To pay with a check:**

Register and send your payment as soon as possible. Email DJ de Jesus, djdejesus@charter.net, (817) 319 3033, to let him know you are coming. Make your check payable to MBCA, and send to DJ de Jesus, 4159 Charron Ln, Ft Worth, TX 76116.

Meeting Place: At 7:30am (come earlier if you wish to have something to eat), we will meet for a briefing at the Starbucks on 7429 Oakmont Blvd Suite A, Fort Worth. It is near the corner of S Bryant Irvin Rd and Oakmont Blvd south of the Park Place dealership (see map below). From I-20, head south on Bryant Irvin Rd, go past the Park Place dealership, and turn left on Oakmont Blvd. The Starbucks will be to your right. We will depart right after the briefing.



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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 month. 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 - It's Worth a Shot Drive, Bridgeport, TX, May 22, 2021



The caravan en route to Bridgeport.

At last! We went on an outing again. Despite wet weather, 24 members in 13 cars joined us for a drive to Bridgeport for lunch and whiskey tasting.

Our first destination was the Five Boys Ranch where we had home-cooking al fresco. The food and service were great, and the menu had more variety than most restaurants of its type. After lunch, we walked to the Oak & Eden, a distillery which makes premium whiskey and specializes in fine bourbon, to taste some of their creations. We chose from several flights of three whiskeys each.

Many thanks to Scott & Rhonda Williamson and Chris & Teresa Watt for creating and managing this wonderful event.



Part of the lineup.



The weather cooperated for outside seating.



With the Five Boys porcine mascot.



Excellent fish tacos.



Trying to decide which bourbon flight to taste.



The distillery's recommendation.



It's really good to be out again with friends.

Prior Event Report - Chandor Gardens and Boo Ray's Lunch, Weatherford, TX, June 12, 2021



En route to Weatherford.

Twenty-one folks in 13 cars enjoyed a scenic, twisty, dippy country drive, an excellent guided tour of Chandor Gardens, one of the most enchanting gardens in the United States, and a delicious lunch at Boo Ray's at Hudson Oaks.



Lunch at Boo Ray's.

The gardens were the result of 16 years of work and inspiration by the Englishman Douglas Chandor, who married the former Ina Kuteman of Weatherford. The couple made the city their home. Mr. Chandor was a prominent artist during his time. His portraits include Queen Elizabeth at her coronation, Eleanor Roosevelt, Ike Eisenhower, and other powerful people and celebrities. Mr. Chandor designed and worked on the gardens until his untimely death in 1953. After Mrs. Chandor's death in 1978, the gardens fell into neglect until restored by Charles and Melody Bradford, who purchased the property. Today, the restored gardens are a valued asset of the City of Weatherford.



The Dragon Fountain.



Ana Clayton, Cecile de Jesus, Mark Tirschler.



The garden's design included ponds and fountains.



Catching up while waiting for our guides.



Ornate gates separated the sections.



The waterfall added to the gardens' peace and serenity.

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.

To receive more timely information on the club (and maybe help save a tree or two), please provide a valid email address along with your name and member number (it is on the mailing label) to RYANNE DIAS of the MBCA national office. Her email address is ryanne@mbca.org. Your email address will be used for MBCA correspondence only. Thanks!!

MBCA Membership Application
 Please print clearly

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Mercedes-Benz cars now owned (model and year): _____

(List additional cars elsewhere)

Interest: (please check) driving events car shows social events

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U.S. and possessions:

1 year (\$55) 2 years (\$107) 3 years (\$157)

Make check payable to MBCA; Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express also accepted.

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1 year (\$65) 2 years (\$127) 3 years (\$187)

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Applicant's signature _____

Fort Worth Section

Section preference (or we will assign by zip code) _____

Sponsor's name and member number (not required) _____

Visa MasterCard

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Or use www.mbca.org or telephone us at: **800/637-2360** 8 AM – 5 PM (Mountain Time)

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