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THE CHANNEL ISLANDS STAR

Oktoberfest

As the sun set behind the horizon it created an ethereal feeling to the evening hinting at the possibility of a visit from ghostly apparitions.

As the guests gathered to enjoy the hospitality of the Gottliebs all thoughts of apparitions drifted into the air.

Glasses of wine and mugs of beer preceded the "Taste of Germany" menu featuring such tasty treats as pork roast and sauerkraut, a variety of sausages (what would an Oktoberfest be without the famous Bratwurst!! No Oktoberfest would be complete without the homemade apple strudel!!

After being well fed, it was time to start the drawings for raffle prizes. Our costumed attendees also received a prize.

Oktoberfest is a festive occasion and this was very true of the evening spent with the Gottliebs.

As we departed a few people whispered that they had seen something flying over the vineyard. Do you suppose the wine and beer had an influence on this phenomenon?

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**DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR THE
HOLIDAY CHRISTMAS PARTY
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH 2018 @ 5:30 PM**

ADDRESS:

1600 HOBART DRIVE, CAMARILLO

HOSTS: TAMARA AND PETER SAMAHA

Questions/Reservations

Text Tamara at 805-844-0844

Call: 805-389-1259

Call or Text Peter Samaha (805) 890-8489

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A SPECIAL THANKSGIVING GREETING

Contributed By Tamara Samaha

It is wonderful to have this annual tradition where we can put aside differences and simply say two little words. "Thank you".

Each year brings me more knowledge and experiences to reflect upon and be immensely thankful for what I have in my life. The recent events in our sleepy little So Cal Communities while filled with clouds of smoke and tears are made stronger through adversity. It is sorrowing that some are no longer living so that others may continue to live.

This year I wish for every simple "thank you" said there is a "giving" gesture matching; Maybe a smile, a shoulder to lean on, a cleaned home, a story read, a song sung, a text sent, a fresh baked pie, the options are limitless.

Thank you to my teammates (past and present) and all the leaders in my life that keep the spirit of giving and thankfulness thriving while supporting our communities and individuals achieve contentment.

May you all experience giving and thankfulness throughout the year beyond this day of Thanksgiving!



President's Message

Greetings To All Our Members And Friends

Tamara, **THANK YOU** for such a great message. It touches the hearts of all of us.

This is our final newsletter of the year and we are progressing into the new year. May 2019 be a brighter and better year for all of us.

Please call and let us know you are coming to the **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY** or respond by E-mail.

It looks like the **CLEAN CAR SHOW** will be a success. We have had a lot of inquiries and the spots are filling up. Send in your payment reservation as soon as you can or call me and let me know so we can reserve your spot. This year I am limiting to 50 cars max.

Thanks to all the members who support us.
Peter Samaha

Other events in the first quarter of 2019 include our yearly **New Member Lunch** in February

A rally is in the works for our first quarter. date to be determined.

Due to popular demand we are trying to bring in more events that are auto related. As always, I look for ideas, direction and any help that can come our way for the club.

A SPECIAL THANKS

Al and Carol. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the Oktoberfest at your home. Your hospitality was superb!

Calendar of Events

DECEMBER

12/16 SUNDAY TIME; 5:30 PM
CHRISTMAS PARTY AND GIFT EXCHANGE

The Samaha Home
1600 Hobart Dr
Camarillo, CA

RSVP by December 10th 2018

Host/Hostess: Peter and Tamara Samaha
Text Tamara at (805)844-0844
Call or Text Peter Samaha (805) 890-8489
Email: psamaha@msn.com

(See details on page 3)

JANUARY

01/20 SUNDAY TIME: 11:00-3:00PM
CLEAN CAR SHOW AT
Camarillo Airport Museum

RSVP by: January 10th 2019

Hosts:: Jeff Sasich@hotmail.com or
Peter Samaha Phone: 805 389-8489

(See Details on Page 5)

PREVIEW OF UPCOMING EVENTS
(Dates To Be Announced)

FEBRUARY

NEW MEMBER LUNCH
AUTO RALLY

Independent
Repair of

MERCEDES
BMW VOLVO
RESALE

Dieters Import Motors

2681 Ventura Blvd.
Oxnard, CA 93036

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mbzstarr@aol.com
Resale (805) 485-1805



**A special invitation to our annual Holiday party.
Sunday December 16th at 5:30pm**



You are invited to the annual Mercedes Benz Channel Islands Section Christmas Celebration, the most festive of all our events. Peter and Tamara Samaha will host in their home at: **1600 Hobart Drive, Camarillo**

We will continue with our traditional holiday fun with the modified **"White Elephant" gift exchange** event. Each gift should be gender neutral with a general value between **\$15-25**.

The main entrée, as well as drink setups and ice will be provided by the Club.

You are welcome to bring an appetizer, salad or a dessert to share.

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We appreciate receiving your *RSVP* NO LATER THAN December 10th 2018.

Thank you

Tamara and Peter

The Mercedes-Benz Club & the Camarillo Airport Museum welcome you to the 2019 Clean Car Show



Sunday January 20, 2019 at 11:00AM

This was so well received last year we are making it a new annual tradition. We are once again co-hosting with the Camarillo Airport Museum where you'll have shelter from the elements in the comfort of an airplane Hangar.



This is a potluck event. Bring your favorite appetizer, salad, side dish or a dessert. Members may bring their own wine or beer. The club will provide soft drinks, cups, ice and utensils. We will be dining in the hangar. Please respond by **January 10th** in order to reserve your spot as this year we are **limited to 50 cars**.

We are pleased to continue with our no "official" rule format for competing for the trophies.

This year's categories for trophies are:

- Best restored Mercedes Benz
- Best original unrestored Mercedes Benz
- Best Custom Car
- People's Choice Mercedes Benz
- Ladies Choice Mercedes Benz
- Oldest Classic Mercedes Benz
- Best AMG

This is not a concourse judging event. Just wash your car and spend the afternoon with fellow members and guests. Again this year we are opening the event to non-members. Encourage friends and family to join us at this fun event.

Cost is \$35/Per Car - this includes all passengers
(Walk-ins welcome \$20/person \$5/children)

Questions???

Call or E-mail: Jeff Sasich (760) 496-8412/jsasich@hotmail.com
Or Peter Samaha (805) -389-1259/psamaha@msn.com

Clip and Mail to Reserve your spot in the hangar!
MBNZ Channel Island Club/Camarillo Airport Clean Car Show

Sunday January 20, 11:00am - 3:00pm

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MBCA Channel Islands

Mail by January 10th, 2019 to ensure you have a spot:

Peter Samaha 1600 Hobart Camarillo, CA 93010

Name: _____ Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____		
Address: _____ City, State & Zip _____		
Yes, I/we will be attending the MBNZ/Camarillo Airport Clean Car show on Sunday January 20, 2019		
Number of Cars Attending: _____ Enclosed is my check in the amount of: \$ _____ <i>(\$35/car includes all passengers)</i>		



Our "Brunch By The Sea" marks the beginning of the holiday celebrations. This year also marks a milestone. For **20 Years** our club has been attending this event come rain, wind or fog. As the old adage goes "If it works don't fix it" Obviously, there has not been a need to do anything but set back and relax. Calming sounds of the ocean and seabirds in flight makes this easy to do.

Approximately 20 members attended. It was a real pleasure to see some of our members who had not been able to attend for some time, as well as meet our new members.

The brunch menu selections were varied enough that each person could find an entrée that not only was delicious but also beautifully presented.

It is said that a picture is worth a thousand words.

I believe we will all agree that photos taken of this event captured the spirit of the day.



Peter, you're supposed to be relaxing!

ADDITIONAL RAFFLE WINNERS

Pictures of the Day



It's always fun to



Brian seems happy



Leo Molitor scans the view



Dianne makes her point!



Visiting With Old Friends

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RAFFLE WINNERS



Dick Drechsler



Vieno



Dianne



Fran

More photos on Page 7



Phil smiling—he has a winning ticket.



Peter won his favorite backscratcher

And so, the day came to a close. It was a great event enjoyed by everyone.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR PHOTOGRAPHY

We were pleased to have Richard Dreschsler at our brunch. Richard is a new member. Welcome to our club. Thank you Richard for all the wonderful candid shots. **Great job.**

KUDOS TO KATHY

Kathy, you are amazing – even though you were far away when making plans for this event no one would have known. All handled via cell phone. Way to go! Thank you for once again putting together such a great event.!

WELCOME NEWCOMERS



We always are glad to welcome newcomers to our club. Since January 2018 we have had 18 new members join our club.

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|---------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Lily Carillo | Rob Wedin | Jean Schuler |
| Dick Dechsler | John DeGroot | Jim Satter |
| Christopher Perkins | | Dave Gardner |
| Leo Lombardo | Leroy Chavez | Drew Duncan |
| Victor Marquez | | Kaylyn Watkin |
| Howard Shiebler | Brandon Droese | Jane Lindsey |
| | Stephen Hosea | |

We look forward to seeing you at some of the upcoming events.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

All the stores and TV Ads are counting the days until Christmas

Don't count days **Make days count**



SAVE THESE DATES:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH, Holiday Party

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20TH, Clean Car Show

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