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## 15th Annual Charity Car Show

**@Cherry Creek** There's no better way to spend a Saturday than showing off your favorite Mercedes-Benz or just looking at the finest Mercedes-Benz cars in the area. Saturday, June 17th is the day for Mile-High Section's annual Charity Car Show at Fillmore Plaza in Cherry Creek North.



This is our 15th show at this location, and again the Make-A-Wish Foundation will benefit. Please sign up now, and I will contact you before the show to advise you when to arrive. As in the past, we will enjoy a steak dinner at the North Woods Inn afterward.

Because of changes at the site, this could be the last MBCA show at Fillmore Plaza. We will keep you posted for next year. After 16 years on the Mile-High Section board, serving as Section President, Rocky Mountain Regional Director, Director At Large, and National Vice President, I'll be leaving the section's board. This will be the last event that I'll chair as a board member. It's been a lot of fun and work, and I've enjoyed every minute, so come out and help me celebrate.

Reservation form on page 6

*Richard Thaumert*

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 ★ *A Mile-High Welcome* ★  
 ★ *to Our New Members* ★  
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 ★ Thomas Maher ★  
 ★ Don McKinley ★  
 ★ Bill & Ann Micheli ★  
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### And Don't Forget the 23<sup>rd</sup> Exotic Sports Car Show and Concours D'Elegance at Arapahoe Community College.

On Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> CP of Colorado presents the 23<sup>rd</sup> Exotic Sports Car Show and Concours D'Elegance at Arapahoe Community College. This is a 300 car show of all make &

models with the proceeds going to CP of Colorado, a wonderful charity. Please bring your cars and families out to support this event.

For additional information, tickets or to enter your car please call 303-691-9339 or go on line at <http://cpc.org/concours/>

*Randy*

## MHS & PPS

### Annual Picnic @ Dillon Reservoir

Our Annual Picnic will be held at the Dillon Lake Park on Sunday July 16<sup>th</sup>.

Brats, Burgers, Beer & other drinks plus other picnic fare will be supplied. We only need YOU. Dillon is a great drive from Denver or Colorado Springs. Specific time and directions will be posted on our web site and published in next months Newsletter. Friends and fellow car enthusiasts are also welcome. The cost is \$15.00 per Adult (15+) and \$10.00 per child.

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*Randy*

**Annual Garage Tour** The Annual Garage Tour this year has been slightly modified. We have been able to secure a visit to the Clive Cussler collection and have integrated that visit into the Tour. We will finish the tour at a great Garage with a catered BBQ. The date has been changed to the 29<sup>th</sup> of July. Specific times and the starting location will be posted on our web site and in the next Newsletter. Please sign up now so we can finish our planning. You may bring quests that are not Members! NOTE: The cost includes the Admission fee to the Museum as well as the BBQ.

Reservation form on page 6

*Randy*



# On Track with Randy

*Randy Williams  
President, Mile-High Section*

May has been a great month and June is going to be better. May events included the outstanding Detailers Paradise Tech Session and the wonderful Numbers Rally. Thanks to Neils Haubold for setting up the Tech Session and to Diane & Max Townsend for planning the Rally – A great effort by all. June events include our two Charity car shows. On Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> CP of Colorado presents the 23<sup>rd</sup> Exotic Sports Car Show and Concours D'Elegance at Arapahoe Community College. On Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> is our 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Mercedes Benz only Charity Car Show at Cherry Creek. Please support both of these

wonderful charity events. In July our Annual Garage Tour will include the fabulous Clive Cussler Museum. NOTE: Its date has been moved to July 29<sup>th</sup>. We will also hold our Annual Picnic in July.



In conjunction with the Rocky Mountain Region Sections, the MHS is planning a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary MBCA Rally/Tour Event that will start in Crested Butte. This Regional Event, Co-Hosted by the MHS and the PPS will take place August 25<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> and is being planned similar to the very successful "La Sal" Tour that started in Grand Junction last fall. *Randy*

**Monthly - Get Together,** Our 2006 Monthly informal Social gatherings occur on the third Wednesday of each month. The June event will be on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:30pm-9:00, at the Skybox atop the Red Lion Hotel (303-433-8331) located next to Invesco Field at Mile High Stadium. From north or south on I 25 take Exit #210B or Stadium Exit. Complimentary parking is directly around the hotel. Need directions or information please call Randy at 303-799-4806. See you there! *Randy*

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## The Numbers Rally

The day was perfect for a rally! Nature cooperated but T-Rex was not interested. The exit ramp to Broadway required the north bound lanes on I-25 to narrow to 1 lane. Unfortunately our route took us right through the construction area and a few of our members experienced over heating problems.

Enough of the bad news! Dale Grace, our editor of The Constel-



We're ready to rumble!!



Future Dreams

ation, celebrated his college graduation with a surprise cake at Starbuck's (our first stop) on Maximus Dr. in Lone Tree. After a wonderful drive South on I 25 to Larkspur and back through Perry Park, the next stop was at M-B of Littleton, who generously donated a Calloway White Hot 35" putter for the rally. A beautiful McLaren SLR was on display, ask Laura Lass how it fit. We then proceeded to Cafe Berlin!



Even more dreams!!

The lunch was fantastic and we can't thank Sandra Bouj and her staff for the wonderful time we all had!!! Susan Melton and her co-



Excellent company, Excellent food

driver Faye Proctor were the 1st prize winners, Jay and Deb Hokanson finished 2nd and the "Boys", Harvey LeCato, Kevin Miller and Ryan Bunn finished third. There



Gorgeous views

was quite a bit of rivalry at Cafe Berlin as this was a private party and the restaurant had been opened only for our event and pleasure.

Again many thanks to Sandra and Marlene for opening the restaurant for us and also to the winners who managed to suffer through the T-Rex construction.

Also thanks to Mercedes Benz of Littleton for their great support and to Diane & Max Townsend for the excellent planning effort they accomplished.

Please remember to support those organizations such as Mercedes Benz of Littleton that provide generous support to the Mile-High Section.



The happy winners!!!

## MBCA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Trip Crested Butte Colorado - August 25-27

The Mile High and Pikes Peak Sections are jointly planning a very special "Alfred Packer" event to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Mercedes Benz Club of America.

All MBCA Members, especially Rocky Mountain Region Members and their guests are invited. This Regional event will occur Friday through Sunday on the above dates. . Basic planning was described in last months Newsletter, but are being fine-tuned between now and August.

Our designated headquarters is the fabulous "Grand Lodge Crested Butte" located on Mount Crested Butte. A block of rooms has been set aside, but registration must be made no later than **July 25, 2006** to obtain our guaranteed rate of \$80.00 for a King Room or \$98.00 for a Suite. Availability is limited for the King Room, so please make your reservations ASAP.

Ms Christine Riggsbee is our point of contact at the lodge. Please be sure to identify that you are with the Mercedes Benz Car Club when making your reservations.


Reservations: 888-823-4446/970-349-8000 or  
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Additional information and event registration will be provided next month.


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**Registration information and costs for the event (registration and hotel) will be available next month.**

*Randy*


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## Detailers Paradise Tech Session

31 Mile-High Section members - some from Wyoming, attended the Detailers Paradise Tech Session, on Saturday, May 13, 2006. This was an excellent, informative and very rewarding session. Ron and Laura Lass volunteered their 1992 red 500SL as the test car. It rolled in looking pretty good but it drove away looking fabulous. As advertised, this was a hands-on tech session and many attendees helped to improve the car's look. Under the guidance of Nick Martinez, the SL was washed and dried. We used Detailing Clay and its associated lubricant to re-



move the car's surface debris, machine polished it with swirl remover to remove small scratches and swirl marks, and then we machine waxed the car.

Detailers Paradise owners Heather and Nick Martinez, along with employee Blake, catered to our every need. They provided solutions to our toughest detailing problems and gave us special sale prices on many items. Thanks Heather and Nick for your excellent Tech Session. Detailers Paradise has an excellent array of detailing products and in-depth advice for all of your detailing problems.

*Laura Lass*

Visit [www.DetailersParadise.com](http://www.DetailersParadise.com) for more information!



**MHS Historian** – Jerry Kappler is the MHS Historian and is working on pulling together the history of the Section. Anyone who has information, artifacts or 'whatever', pertaining to the history of the Mile-High Section, please contact Jerry (1.970.532.4259) and share your information. Your input will be highly appreciated!

For the latest section information, be sure to visit

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## Garage Tour & Cussler Collection

July 29, 2006—9:00 a.m.

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 State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ No. of people @ \$25 ea. \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Includes museum fee & BBQ)  
 Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail completed form and check payable to  
Mile-High Section-MBCA to: Max Townsend  
 6088 E. Otero Drive  
 Englewood, CO 80112-3043

Reservation Form

## Mile-High Section Charity Car Show

June 17, 2006—10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
 Fillmore Plaza, Cherry Creek (Denver)

Please register the following:

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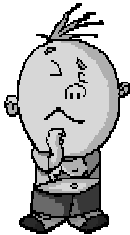
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Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Please call: Loren Hildestad

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Please call: Anita Burki-Bragg

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## Calendar of Events

Events listed in boldface are for the Mile-High Section

For National Club news and shopping, visit the newly redesigned Club website:

[www.mbca.org](http://www.mbca.org)

June	July	August
1 MHS Board Meeting 7:00 pm (Randy Williams 303.799.4806)	6 MHS Board Meeting 7:00 pm (Randy Williams 303.799.4806)	3 MHS Board Meeting 7:00 pm (Randy Williams 303.799.4806)
4 <u>Charity Car Show@ ACC</u> 9:00am (Randy Williams 303.799.4806)	16 Annual Picnic@ Dillon Reservoir Mile-High & Pikes Peak Sections (Randy Williams 303.799.4806)	16 Red Lion Social 6:30 pm (Randy Williams 303.799.4806)
11 Presidents Rally Pikes Peak section (Julie Nelson 719.634.7522)	19 Red Lion Social 6:30 pm (Randy Williams 303.799.4806)	25-27 <u>MBCA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary</u> <u>Celebration Trip</u> Mile-High & Pikes Peak Sections (Randy Williams 303.799.4806)
17 <u>Annual Charity Car Show at</u> <u>Cherry Creek Shopping Center</u> 10 am -4 pm (Richard Thaemert 303.722.6754)	29 Annual Garage Tour 9:00am(tenative) (Randy Williams 303.799.4806)	
21 Red Lion Social 6:30 pm (Randy Williams 303.799.4806)		