



2017 Holiday Issue

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**Happy Holidays from The NYC-Long Island Section!**

*Thank you for your participation:*

*You* made our Great Marques 2017 Show our most successful event and we again earned recognition as a MBCA National Event. A list of our winners are posted in this issue. Check our article in the Star, page 94. Congrats to you all.

**In This Issue:**  
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**Class Trophies**  
**Guest Article – Euro delivery**



*Nat Lanza's 1957 300SL*

Please RSVP to our Annual Meeting/Holiday Party.



What could be better this holiday season than Santa delivering joy to children in a shiny red sleigh like this one?

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**Our section will again, subsidize the cost of each participant for this event. Our venue is the renowned Inn at New Hyde Park. The cost is \$45 per person. Children under 12 are free and Santa will visit them. Send your check made out to MBCA.**

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Annual Meeting/Holiday Party

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TICKETS \_\_\_\_\_ # of CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_ (UNDER 12 FREE)

**Please mail to MBCA Section NYC- Long Island, 100 WINDSOR AVENUE  
MINEOLA, NY 11501.**

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We will also set up a Online Credit Card Payment for your convenience. Online RSVP is closing 11/27/2017. Please print & present your online receipt at the door to be seated.

**\*RSVP online through the link below. Please present your conforming email at the door for admittance.**

[www.motorsportreg.com/events/annual-meeting-holiday-party-mbca-nyc-long-island-inn-at-new-hyde-park-830119](http://www.motorsportreg.com/events/annual-meeting-holiday-party-mbca-nyc-long-island-inn-at-new-hyde-park-830119)

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**Details: Time: Noon – 3pm**

**When: Sunday - December 3rd, 2017**

**Where: The Inn at New Hyde Park - Address: 214 Jericho Turnpike  
New Hyde Park, NY 11040**

**Phone: [\(516\) 354.7797](tel:5163547797)**

**Email: [info@innatnhp.com](mailto:info@innatnhp.com)**



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Please donate toys for the John Theissen Children's Foundation by bringing them to the Inn and help make needy children smile every day. The toys, gifts and donations are distributed daily to local Long Island Hospitals through the JTCF.

(JOHN THEISSEN CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

Phone: 516 - 679 – 5098, 516 - 679 – TOYS -

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At the Annual Meeting we ratify the positions of Board Members. If you have suggestions or wish to be a member – please let us know.

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Alternatives for  
Children Rally  
2017



The following members participated in the Alternatives for Children Rally for 2017 We thank them for their support of this event and charity.

3rd Place Bernard Berberich

1992 500 SL

2nd Place Frank Francioa

2012 AMG 63

1st Place Sandy Kane

1987 560 SL



## A Member's Article – Euro Delivery!

Peter Menger MD

This past summer my wife Virginia and I did our third Mercedes European delivery, a 2017 E300, and I must say the experience never ceases to impress me. For those not familiar, approximately 4 months prior to delivery you select a delivery date and custom order your vehicle (it has to be one manufactured in Europe which excludes M class and other US built models). First benefit is that there is no negotiation on price, it is a set 5-7% off sticker (depends on the model). The discount alone pays for the trip! Additionally, my \$500 Mercedes Benz club discount also came in handy as it was also applied to my purchase.

Mercedes includes all insurance while in Europe, post-delivery transport of your vehicle to the selling dealership, transfers from Stuttgart airport to your hotel and from your hotel to the factory. As a bonus there is a one night hotel stay in Stuttgart, a meal at the delivery center, tour of the delivery center, two tickets to the Mercedes Museum and a \$200 delta voucher.



We had as usual, an exemplary experience -visiting the delivery center/factory alone is worth the trip. The factory tour really gets you up close and personal with the manufacturing process of our vehicles. Driving our own car on the autobahn, as well as through the alps, was exhilarating to say the least. We visited Lindau, Tyrol, Schwangau and Munich on our week-long visit. Final drop off was at Munich airport where we unloaded our luggage did some paperwork and walked to the terminal. Six weeks later we picked up our car at the dealership.

If anyone has designs on doing this I recommend Helms Bros as they have done all 3 of our euro deliveries or you can reach out to me personally. ([Plmmd@aol.com](mailto:Plmmd@aol.com))

(ed. Thanks for your Article, Peter. I think all our members will benefit from this report.)

| <b>Great Marques 2017</b> |               |               |              |             |             |              |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| <b>Sept. 24th</b>         |               |               |              |             |             |              |
| <b>Prize Winners</b>      |               |               |              |             |             |              |
| <b>Place</b>              | <b>Car No</b> | <b>Class</b>  | <b>First</b> | <b>Last</b> | <b>Year</b> | <b>Model</b> |
| 1                         | 1             | AMG           | Stephen      | Delaney     | 2014        | C63          |
| 2                         | 1             | AMG           | Alan         | Adler       | 2006        | SL65         |
| 3                         | 1             | AMG           | Evan         | Yadgarov    | 2016        | AMG GTS      |
|                           | 1             | AMG           | David        | Tiff        | 2017        | C63AMG       |
|                           | 1             | AMG           | Earl         | Schofield   | 2017        | SLK63        |
|                           | 1             | AMG           | Luxsport     |             | 2008        | C63 BS       |
| 1                         | 2             | Modern Sedan  | Wojciech     | Zajac       | 2014        | E550         |
| 2                         | 2             | Modern Sedan  | Joe          | Grattan     | 2011        | E550         |
| 1                         | 3             | 1970's        | Mike         | Carroll     | 1970        | 250C         |
| 2                         | 3             | 1970's        | Ali          | Ayromlov    | 1972        | 280SEL 4.5   |
| 1                         | 4             | 90's          | Dominic      | Citera      | 1998        | S500         |
| 2                         | 4             | 90's          | Patrick      | Quadrozzi   | 1999        | CL600        |
| 3                         | 4             | 90's          | Evan         | Yadgarov    | 1992        | 400SE        |
| 1                         | 5             | 80's          | Luxsport     |             | 1987        | 190E         |
| 2                         | 5             | 80's          | Walter       | Larkin      | 1985        | 500SEL       |
| 1                         | 6             | Coup/Cab      | Margaret     | Farber      | 1995        | E320         |
| 2                         | 6             | Coup/Cab      | Andrew       | Gusman      | 1994        | E320         |
| 3                         | 6             | Coup/Cab      | William      | Terrequilo  | 2013        | SL550        |
| 1                         | 7             | SL 107        | Sylvia       | Sama        | 1989        | 560SL        |
| 2                         | 7             | SL 107        | Patricia     | LaBarca     | 1989        | 560SL        |
| 3                         | 7             | SL 107        | Mitch        | Tanner      | 1986        | 560SL        |
|                           | 7             | SL 107        | John         | Feijoo      | 1989        | 560SL        |
|                           | 7             | SL 107        | Perry        | Goldberg    | 1988        | 560SL        |
| 1                         | 8             | SL 113        | Lenny        | Hummel      | 1969        | 280SL        |
| 2                         | 8             | SL 113        | Jerry        | Robinson    | 1964        | 230SL        |
| 3                         | 8             | SL 113        | Ross         | Wilson      | 1968        | 250SL        |
|                           | 8             | SL 113        | Charles      | Serotta     | 1971        | 280SL        |
|                           | 8             | SL 113        | John         | Betsch      | 1965        | 230SL        |
|                           | 8             | SL 113        | Paul         | Peternoster | 1971        | 280SL        |
|                           | 8             | SL 113        | Steve        | Tepper      | 1967        | 230SL        |
|                           | 8             | SL 113        | Chester      | Barton      | 1970        | 280SL        |
| 1                         | 9             | Converts      | Sandy        | Kane        | 1967        | 250SE Cab    |
| 2                         | 9             | Converts      | Bob          | Bersch      | 1970        | 280SE Cab    |
| 3                         | 9             | Converts      | Ely          | Sakhai      | 1954        | 220          |
|                           | 9             | Converts      | G            | Bennett     | 1964        | 220SE        |
| 1                         | 10            | Early SL's    | Walter       | Stackler    | 1957        | 300SL        |
| 2                         | 10            | Early SL's    | John         | Schales     | 1955        | 190SL        |
| 1                         | M             | Modified      | Nat          | Lanza       | 1957        | 300SL        |
| 2                         | M             | Modified      | Domenick     | Scaglione   | 2004        | SL600        |
|                           | 1             | Judges Choice | Pierre       | Faber       | 2007        | CLK63        |
|                           | 8             | Best / Show   | Joe          | Faraldo     | 1970        | 280SL        |

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## **Results Touring & Display Class For Great Marques Sep 24 2017**

### **Sports Modern**

**1<sup>st</sup> Yury Marus  
1999 500SL  
Brooklyn, NY**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Oleg Kuherenko  
1996 SL320**

### **Classic Sports**

**1<sup>st</sup> Peter Menger  
1971 280SL  
2<sup>nd</sup> Steven Tepper**

### **Vintage Sports**

**1<sup>st</sup> Richard Seeger  
1986 380 SL  
Massapqua NY**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Robert Donnelly  
1985 380 SL  
Massapqua NY**

### **Cabriolet Modern**

**Priscilla Sedita  
2001 CLK 320  
Melville NY**

### **Sedan & Coupes Modern**

**1<sup>st</sup> Felecia Kutscher**  
**2014 E Wagon**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Carmine Buda**  
**1998 CL 600**  
**New Jersey**

## **Sedan & Coupes Classic**

**1<sup>st</sup> Mauricio Qunitero**  
**1972 280 C**  
**Point Lookout NY**

## **Sedan & Coupes Vintage**

**1<sup>st</sup> Daniel Foote**  
**1993 500E**  
**Brooklyn NY**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Daniel Foote**  
**1992 500E**  
**Brooklyn NY**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Michelle Lamm**  
**1983 500SEL**

**Albertson NY**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Dave Lamm**  
**1988 300 TE**  
**Albertson NY**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Perry Goldberg**  
**1988 450 SEL**

## **SUV Class**

**1<sup>st</sup> Matt Koenig**  
**2008 G 55**

## **Car I Would Most Like To Own**

**John DiGangi 2015 CLK 250**  
**Commack NY**

## **Ladies Choice**

**Betty Lospinuso 20018 GLA 250**  
**Dix Hills NY**

## **Longest Distance Traveled To The Event**

**Tony Otis**

300 TD

Sacramento CA

2370 Miles

## Display Class

7<sup>th</sup> Charles Chamers

1985 380 SL

6<sup>th</sup> Robert Piacente

1989 560 SL

5<sup>th</sup> Christopher Almond

1087 300 E

Babylon NY

4<sup>th</sup> Gerald Bryant

2013 SL 550

Burlington CT

3<sup>rd</sup> Rich Rausser

2000 SL 500

Somers NY

2<sup>nd</sup> James O' Toole

1973 280 SEL 4.5

1<sup>st</sup> Michael Lospinuso

2011 E 350

Dix Hills NY

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## Yesteryear for Mercedes-Benz

Check out the whole story on <http://www.vanderbiltcupraces.com> A fascinating history of Long Island automotive history by Howard Kroplick.

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## ***2009 MERCEDES-BENZ SL-CLASS SL 550***

**PRICE: \$36,900** 2009 MERCEDES SL550 for sale. Motorcar Classics is pleased to present this beautiful 2009 Mercedes SL550 Roadster featured in gleaming Black with Stone leather. This is a 2-owner SL that until recently was a California car. The carfax report shows evidence of authorized dealer servicing from new and it was most recently serviced in August of 2017 at Mercedes Benz in Manhattan. The car has only 35,892 miles and has never had damage or paint work. Options include the Premium Package with Wood steering wheels, heated and cooled seats, Airscarf and more, as well as AMG wheels and the full range of Mercedes safety, luxury and convenience amenities. The slick retractable roof makes this a true 4-seasons car and converts from closed coupe to open roadster in about 20 seconds. Buy this one to drive every day! [More Info Here!](#)



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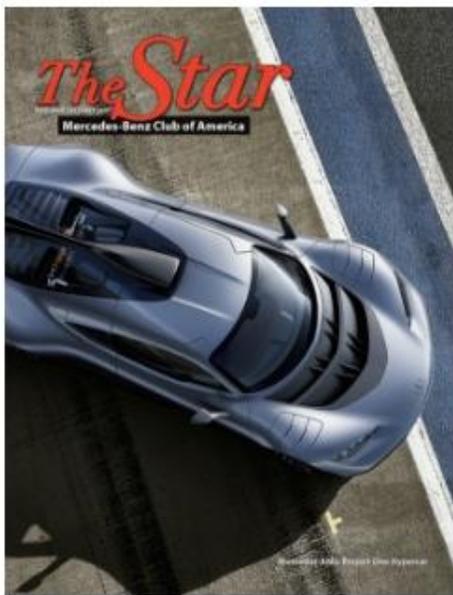


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