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EDITOR'S NOTE



Christmas Cheer

Holiday Issue Brimming with a Festive Mercedes Spirit

by Marcus Dodson, Sierra Nevada Section Club Newsletter Editor

The issue of *The Silver Star* that you are about to enjoy is our wonderful Christmas edition. Mercedes-Benz® has always been a brand that has gotten into the holiday spirit, and I hope you find the feature stories in this issue to be enjoyable.

This issue we cover the history of the Mercedes star and its connections with the holiday season, the new Apple® Watch app that can connect your Mercedes-Benz vehicle to your phone remotely, and a fun new trend of gingerbread Mercedes cars, instead of boring old houses. Our video of the month this issue is a Mercedes ad that also

helps encapsulate the holiday spirit and even our crossword puzzle is Christmas themed.

We also included a recipe for some traditional oatmeal cookies that would be perfect to leave out for Santa, from the kitchen of yours truly. If you make the cookies and enjoy them, be sure to let me know how they turned out and send in a photo of your creations.

We are all so excited for our upcoming Holiday Party, which will be held December 12 at The Club at Arrow-Creek. I hope to see many of you there and I wish everyone in the Sierra Nevada Section a safe and happy Holiday season.



PRESIDENT'S EXHAUST



Season's Greetings *Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays!*

Merry Christmas and happy holidays to all of our friends in the Sierra Nevada Section of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America. This time of year is always a time when we get into the festive spirit and it reminds me of how grateful I am to have the club in my life. With things getting colder and our events for the year slowing down, I always take this final month of the year to gear up for the year ahead.

We had an awesome and busy year, with plenty of events and lots of opportunities to see each other. Our calendar was filled with lively dinners and dynamic events, and 2025 is shaping up to be just as exciting. There are still plenty of opportunities to host a dinner or drive, and we would all love to try something new. Do you have a favorite restaurant in town? Is there a drive that you think would be a fun outing for our group? Reach out to any board member, as we would love to help you get an event on the calendar.

In November, Patti and Gene Lamski hosted the club at Chi inside the Peppermill. As usual, the service, food, and decor were divine, and we will definitely try to return again in 2025. This restaurant is always happy to host us, and the dining room is one of the most beautiful spots in Reno.

On December 12, we have our Annual Christmas Party at The Club at ArrowCreek in Reno. Vencil and I are excited to attend this event, as it's our club's most elegant affair. I hope to see all of you at this event so I can personally wish each of you a Merry Christmas. I've heard that it might be sold out, but you can contact Marcus Dodson at marcus.c.dodson@gmail.com or (775) 997-9901 to see if you can get on a waiting list. It's going to be one of our biggest holiday parties yet.

I hope that all of you have a wonderful holiday season!

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Mercedes-Benz Gingerbread Cars

The Holiday Tradition You Didn't Know You Needed

by Marcus Dodson, Newsletter Editor

Forget gingerbread houses, folks. 2024 is the year of the Mercedes-Benz® Gingerbread Car. That's right, the luxurious German automaker has jumped into the holiday spirit with a new trend that's so chic, so classy, and so 2024, it's going to make your grandkids wish they'd been born with a sugar-coated steering wheel.

Sweet Luxury of Gingerbread Benz

It all started innocently enough: one holiday season, a few Instagram influencers, armed with sprinkles and frosting, thought, why not put a Mercedes on my holiday table? Now, it's not just a casual trend. Mercedes-Benz gingerbread cars have become the must-have holiday accessory, with their sleek icing lines and luxurious candy accents.

No longer will you settle for the same tired old gingerbread house with its wonky roof and sad, melted gumdrops. This year, it's all about precision engineering and high-end confections. Picture this: your kids and grandkids gathering around a beautifully frosted gingerbread car, built to resemble a stunning Mercedes-Benz S-Class, complete with licorice tires, marshmallow seats, and an edible logo that's too perfect to eat. Too perfect to eat, you say? That's the magic of this edible masterpiece.

Why Mercedes-Benz?

You might be wondering, why Mercedes-Benz? Why gingerbread? It's a fair question. First, let's talk about Mercedes-Benz. This isn't just a car company; it's a status symbol. A car made by Mercedes is as much about luxury as it is about craftsmanship. So, when you think about holiday decorations, why not channel the same precision engineering into your baked goods?

The gingerbread car trend also per-

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LEFT: A SLEEK NEW G-CLASS GINGERBREAD SUV HOT OFF THE ASSEMBLY LINE.
BELOW: PART OF A HOW-TO VIDEO SHOWING HOW TO ASSEMBLE YOUR VERY OWN MERCEDES GINGERBREAD CAR.



Mercedes Gingerbread Cars

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fectly captures that sweet intersection between holiday nostalgia and modern-day flexing. You're not just baking, you're crafting an edible masterpiece worthy of your family's admiration. You're telling your grandkids, "yes, this year I can afford a Mercedes," but in a way that's soft, sugary, and likely to give you a sugar rush.

Mercedes Gingerbread Features

What makes these gingerbread cars so special? Well, for one, the attention to detail. No more slapping frosting on a rectangle of gingerbread and calling it a day. These cars come with luxe Candy Chrome, Sleek Gingerbread Body, Licorice Tires, Miniature Candy Lights, and Marshmallow Seats: comfy and puffy, because no one wants to drive in a gingerbread car with hard, non-edible seats.

How to Build Your Own

Not sure where to start? Don't worry, you're not alone. Fortunately, we have all the steps that include all the basic ingredients you'll need to create your own sweet ride. Here's how to build your very own gingerbread Benz:

- Get the Blueprint: look up a picture of your favorite Mercedes-Benz model. Bonus points if it's a classic 1960s SL or a futuristic EQS. You want the design

to be both timeless and edible.

- Bake Your Gingerbread: cut out the shapes for the body, wheels, and spoiler. This is where the precision comes in. Don't just throw random shapes together like you're making a gingerbread shack. We're aiming for art here.

- Assemble the Pieces: glue your car parts together using royal icing, that stuff sets like cement. If you're feeling fancy, use a piping bag to achieve that perfect, clean Mercedes line.

- Decorate: use licorice for tires, gumdrops for headlights, and candy canes for the side mirrors. If you're feeling really bougie, cover the whole thing in edible glitter for that high-end sparkle.

- Admire Your Work: step back, take a picture for Instagram, and post it with the hashtag #BenzInTheSnow. You're now the proud owner of an edible Mercedes-Benz. No insurance required.

Future of Mercedes Gingerbread

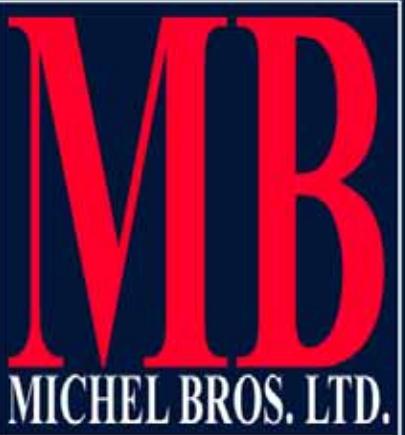
It's safe to say that this new holiday trend is taking off in ways we could never have imagined. Some speculate that Mercedes-Benz may even release a special edition Gingerbread Benz for 2025, complete with functional sugar-powered motors. Hey, if you can't drive a real Mercedes, at least you can drive a licorice-powered one.

In the meantime, expect to see gingerbread car building contests popping up across the country. In fact, it's only a matter of time before Mercedes-Benz opens a Gingerbread Car Factory, where you can order a life-size gingerbread replica of your favorite car to serve as the centerpiece of your holiday dinner table. Think of it as a very sweet status symbol.

Get On the Trend Before It's Too Late

This holiday season, don't settle for the same old gingerbread houses. Get in the game with a Mercedes-Benz gingerbread car and give your grandkids a holiday tradition that will have them begging for more sugar-filled luxury. After all, when it comes to holiday cheer, why settle for ordinary when you can go extra, and by extra, we mean a luxury gingerbread car complete with frosting details that would make even Santa jealous?

So, fire up the oven, pull out your candy stash, and start building. Your Mercedes-Benz gingerbread car is waiting, and trust us, it's a trend that's worth every calorie. For those of you who might struggle with written instructions, Mercedes-Benz of Canada has made a video on this process here: www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q8ut0SB85OQ so you can follow along.



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Return to Chi

Cuisine That Leaves the Club Wonton More

by Marcus Dodson, Newsletter Editor

To kick of November, 28 members of the Sierra Nevada Section of the Mercedes-Benz® Club of America met up for their Second Tuesday Dinner at Chi in the Peppermill, Reno, hosted by Patti and Gene Lamski. Chi is a favorite dinner spot for the club and one that the club is always looking forward to returning to, so it was nice to come back there for the final Tuesday Dinner of the year.

The club started by meeting in the bar to group up before heading into the restaurant. Many club members took advantage of this time to enjoy one of the many specialty drinks that Chi has

to offer. Some of the cocktail choices on this evening were the Asian mule, China peach, lychee martini, green tea yuzu cooler, and pineapple tequila margarita. Of course, the beer and wine selection was also a hit with many members of the club as well.

Similar to how the club has been seated in the past, the large group was situated at two big tables in the main area, and we were given our own dedicated servers for each table. This time, the group was big enough that some members were given a separate booth to accommodate all of the people in attendance. Chi was a popular spot in town on this night, as the dining room

quickly filled up with other guests.

The service was excellent, with dishes arriving quickly and steaming hot. The standout orders on this evening were the roasted peking duck, shrimp with a spicy peanut sauce, and beef with snow peas. The hot and sour soup is some of the best in town, and many club members took their time to enjoy it due to the cold weather outside.

The club has two more events coming up for the beginning of this winter. The annual Christmas Party is on December 12 at ArrowCreek in Reno, Nevada. This year will be just as fun as last year for all of those who attend. This event is sold out, so for anyone who is still interested in coming to the party this year, contact Marcus Dodson at marcus.c.dodson@gmail.com or (775) 997-9901 to get on the waiting list.

The next dinner the club has planned will be the Second Wednesday Dinner, January 8, 2025, at Pietro's Famiglia Ristorante Italiano, in Sparks, Nevada, hosted by Gail and Vencil Wells. This is also a group favorite for the club to return to, with delicious Italian cuisine that everyone is looking forward to having again. To RSVP, contact Gail Wells at blackswan342@gmail.com or (307) 763-1701.



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AROUND THE GLOBE.



A Christmas Star

The Mercedes-Benz Star Shines Bright for All to See

by Marcus Dodson, Newsletter Editor

As the festive season draws near and Christmas lights twinkle on trees and homes, one star shines a little brighter than the rest: the iconic Mercedes-Benz® star. Just like the shimmering ornaments that adorn holiday decorations, this timeless symbol has been lighting up roads, skylines, and hearts for over a century. This Christmas, we take a moment to reflect on how this radiant emblem continues to shine not only on the hoods of luxury cars, but across the globe, brightening cities and communities wherever it appears.

It all began over 100 years ago, in 1909, when Daimler-Motoren-Gesellschaft registered the three-pointed star as a symbol of its brand. This moment predates the merger of Daimler and Benz by nearly two decades, making the star older than the Mercedes-Benz name itself. In fact, the symbol is still affectionately known as the Mercedes Star to this day, a tribute to its roots in the early 20th century.

Since then, the star has become synonymous with luxury, precision, and

excellence, values that Mercedes-Benz vehicles represent worldwide. It's a symbol that is as familiar as the opening lines of Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star, a song many of us remember from childhood. Today, much like that childhood lullaby, the Mercedes star is instantly recognized by people of all ages and from all walks of life, making it a perfect emblem for this season of light, joy, and celebration.

At Christmas, we are surrounded by stars, on treetops, in the night sky, and of course, in the glowing windows of homes and shops. For Mercedes-Benz, stars aren't just for the holiday season. The brand's emblem shines year-round, adorning not only their vehicles, but also hundreds of buildings, dealerships, and landmarks around the world.

In fact, there are now more than 600 rotating Mercedes stars illuminating cities from Berlin to Beijing. These glowing beacons are often placed atop towers and rooftops, proudly showcas-



ing the brand's iconic symbol. The star atop Stuttgart's central train station, for example, has been turning since 1952, becoming a landmark of the city. The star atop Berlin's Europa-Center, a symbol of the old West Berlin, continues to shine after more than 50 years.

At Christmas, these stars take on a special meaning. They twinkle like festive decorations, reminding us of the values of quality, innovation, and aspiration that Mercedes-Benz stands for, values that shine brightly during the holiday season, when the world comes

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A Christmas Star

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together to celebrate.

As the year comes to a close, it's heartening to think of the many new stars that have joined the Mercedes-Benz constellation. In 2018 alone, 84 new stars were installed on rooftops and towers across the globe. These stars, varying in size from smaller versions to monumental 10-meter-wide giants, have become symbols of the brand's reach and influence. While the larger stars are rare and spectacular, the smaller stars, like twinkling lights on a Christmas tree, can be found in cities and towns around the world, adding to the magic of the holiday season.

These stars are not just signs of a successful brand, they are also part of the communities where they shine. Whether it's in a bustling metropolis or a quiet town, each Mercedes star has its place in the world, adding a little extra sparkle to the scenery, just like the stars

that grace our homes at Christmas.

At Christmas, we often reflect on the stars of the season, the ones in the sky, on top of our trees, and in the hearts of those we love. Similarly, the Mercedes star has become a symbol not just of luxury, but of enduring quality and achievement. As the company celebrates milestone after milestone, headlines often play on the imagery of reaching for the stars. "Mercedes reaches for the stars," they say, or "a new star is born" with the release of every new model. Even the playful pun "Star Wars" has become a beloved joke among Mercedes fans, particularly when two drivers debate over the last parking spot.

This Christmas, perhaps the most heartwarming reminder of the Mer-



cedes star is its connection to tradition and the values that we hold dear during the holiday season: excellence, joy, and the celebration of what truly matters. Much like the twinkling lights on a Christmas tree, the Mercedes star serves as a beacon of light in a sometimes dark world, offering a symbol of hope and aspiration.

The Mercedes star doesn't just shine in our hearts, it shines in the sky, too.

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From the grand rotating star atop the Europa-Center in Berlin, which has been twinkling over the city since 1965, to the shining beacons atop dealerships and corporate offices worldwide, Mercedes stars are visible far and wide.

Some stars are famous for their size and history, like the 10-meter-wide stars in Berlin and Beijing, while others are smaller but no less important. In 2016, after a fire temporarily halted the rotation of the star at Berlin's Europa-Cen-

ter, the city rejoiced when the beloved emblem began turning again. For many Berliners, the return of the star was as much a Christmas miracle as the twinkling lights that adorn the city during the holiday season.

It's clear that the legacy of the Mercedes star will continue to grow. Though there was a brief period in the 1990s when the installation of new stars was restricted, the policy was reversed in 1999, leading to an explosion of new star installations worldwide. With more stars being added every year, the future of the Mercedes star looks as bright as ever, just like the lights that sparkle in our windows each Christmas.

As we gather with loved ones this holiday season, it's impossible not to appreciate the symbolism of the Mercedes star, just as we admire the stars in the sky. Both represent hope, aspiration, and the beauty of something greater than ourselves. Merry Christmas, and may the Mercedes stars shine brightly for all of us. ☀

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**Sierra Nevada Section
Crossword Puzzle
Happy Holidays...**



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2. Christmas presents go under the Christmas ____.
4. The day before Christmas is Christmas ____.
8. Type of sweet dessert to leave out for Santa.
9. Many religious people go to ____ on Christmas day.
11. A large and popular Christmas meat.
12. Santa rides one.
13. We put Christmas ____ under the Christmas tree.
16. A celebration.
19. A sock shaped decoration.
20. Given out during Christmas.
21. A type of Christmas plant.
23. Where Santa lives, two words.

*Puzzle answers can be
found on the following page.*

DOWN

1. What month is Christmas during?
3. The red-nosed reindeer.
5. A word that means happy.
6. This animal pulls Santa's sleigh.
7. Two words for who delivers Christmas gifts.
8. December 25th.
10. People always ____ presents in Christmas paper.
15. Frosty the ____.
17. A popular Christmas ____ is to sing Christmas carols.
18. A very popular Christmas song, two words.
22. People often put a ____ on top of the Christmas tree.



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Gift Ideas

Christmas Gift Dilemma: a New Car or a New Watch?

by Marcus Dodson, Newsletter Editor

With the holiday season fast approaching, the perennial question arises: What do you get for Christmas? For those with a taste for luxury and high-tech gadgets, the decision could be a tough one, do you opt for a brand-new car or a sleek new watch to complement your existing set of wheels? If you already own a Mercedes-Benz®, this dilemma just got more interesting, thanks to an innovative new app from the automaker that's designed to seamlessly integrate with your Apple® Watch.

Mercedes-Benz, known for its commitment to blending luxury with cutting-edge technology, has recently rolled out

an exciting new feature for Apple Watch users. The app, designed specifically for Mercedes owners, allows you to manage and interact with your car directly from your wrist, eliminating the need to pull out your smartphone every time you want to check on your vehicle's status.

The new app, available for Mercedes-Benz cars, brings a suite of convenient features right to your Apple Watch, making it easier than ever to stay connected with your car, no matter where you are. Let's take a closer look at some of the standout functionalities of the app:

With the app, you can monitor important information about your vehicle without even having to get inside. From the range of your car to the fuel or battery level, the app gives

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An advertisement for Metric Motors Ltd. It features a blue Mercedes-Benz car in the foreground, with the company name 'METRIC MOTORS LTD.' written in blue script above it. The car has a license plate that reads 'METRIC MOTORS 329-7209'. The background is a checkered pattern. Below the car, text reads: 'First independent Mercedes repair shop in Reno', '1005 Greg Street, Sparks', '(775) 329-7209', and 'Established in 1969'.

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Crossword Puzzle Answers

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| 19. Stocking | 5. Joy |
| 2. Tree | 6. Reindeer |
| 4. Eve | 7. Santa Claus |
| 8. Cookies | 8. Christmas |
| 9. Church | 10. Wrap |
| 11. Turkey | 15. Snowman |
| 12. Sleigh | 17. Tradition |
| 13. Presents | 18. Jingle Bells |
| 16. Party | 22. Star |
| 20. Gifts | |
| 21. Poinsettia | |
| 23. North Pole | |

Down

1. December
3. Rudolph

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you real-time update. From your watch you can also remotely lock and unlock your car, check to see if your windows are closed (and make changes to their position), find where you left your car,

and much more.

Currently, the Mercedes app for Apple Watch is available to users in Europe, with plans for further expansion to other regions, including the United

States, China, and various countries in Asia. To use the app, you'll need a Mercedes me account, the latest version of the Mercedes app installed on your

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iPhone, and an Apple Watch running watchOS 9 or later. This makes the app accessible to a wide range of users, particularly those already invested in the Apple ecosystem.

With the new Mercedes app, the experience of owning a luxury vehicle is taken to the next level. Not only does it offer unparalleled convenience and ease of use, but it also enhances the connection between you and your car in ways



that were previously unimaginable. Whether you're checking the fuel level or making sure your windows are up, having this level of control right from your wrist makes owning a Mercedes even more enjoyable.

New Car or a New Watch?

Now that we've explored the features of the new Mercedes app for Apple Watch, the question remains: should you get a brand-new car or a new watch for Christmas? While the car will continue to be the centerpiece of your automotive experience, the Apple Watch app can enhance your ownership experience and make daily interactions with your vehicle more efficient and seamless. It's luxury and tech in perfect harmony.

For those who love to stay ahead of the curve when it comes to automotive technology, combining your Mercedes with the latest Apple Watch functionality is a winning combination. Perhaps a new Mercedes, paired with the convenience of this app, will become your next Christmas gift. 

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Holiday Cookies

Santa's Favorite Oatmeal Raisin Cookies are Chewy & Delicious

from the kitchen of Marcus Dodson, Newsletter Editor

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hese oatmeal raisin cookies are easy to make, and they are packed with soft oats and sweet raisins! Christy and I love making these, and they pair well with traditional homemade eggnog (see our recipe in the December 2023 issue). It took us a few tries and adjusting of recipes to get this just right; I like the cookies to be chewy yet still crispy around the edges. Most Christmas cookies, as we know them today, trace their roots to these Medieval European recipes. The history of oatmeal raisin cookies can be traced back to Scottish oatcakes, which were a source of energy for soldiers during battle. The first recorded oatmeal cookie recipe was published in the United States by Fannie Merritt Farmer in her 1896 cookbook, *The Boston Cooking-School Cook Book*. The cookie became more popular in the early 1900s when a recipe was featured on every Quaker® Oats containers.

Ingredients:

- Ⓐ 3/4 cup butter, softened
- Ⓐ 3/4 cup white sugar
- Ⓐ 3/4 cup packed light brown sugar
- Ⓐ 2 eggs
- Ⓐ 1 tsp vanilla extract
- Ⓐ 1 1/2 cups all purpose flour
- Ⓐ 1 tsp baking soda
- Ⓐ 3/4 tsp ground cinnamon
- Ⓐ 1/2 tsp salt
- Ⓐ 2 3/4 cups rolled oats
- Ⓐ 1 cup raisins



Cookie Directions:

- ① Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
- ② In a large bowl, cream together butter, white sugar, and brown sugar until smooth.
- ③ Beat in the eggs, vanilla, flour, baking soda, cinnamon, and salt.
- ④ Stir in oats and raisins.
- ⑤ Drop spoonfuls of batter onto ungreased cookie sheets.
- ⑥ Bake for 11 minutes or until golden brown around the edges.
- ⑦ Cool for 5 minutes and then move to a wire rack to complete cooling.

ITEMS of INTEREST

Sierra Nevada MBCA Name Badges for Sale

We encourage all members to wear their MBCA name badges to all Sierra Nevada section meetings and events.

WHAT???

You don't have a Sierra Nevada name badge? Right now you're probably thinking, "How can I, a mere mortal, achieve the level of prestige and acclaim of those that proudly display their Sierra Nevada MBCA name badges for all to see?"

How much would you be willing to pay for such a miracle item?

\$1,000? \$2,000? \$5,000?

Well, now you can order your Sierra Nevada MBCA name badge for a mere \$20!

But wait, there's more...

If you order in the next ten minutes you can get TWO name badges for the incredibly low price of only \$40!

With this name badge you can hold your head up high! You will become the envy of the neighborhood, the first on your block, and the proud owner of a Sierra Nevada MBCA name badge identifying you as part of an elite group.

To Purchase a badge you have to call the national Mercedes-Benz Club of America office. Name badges are not on the website right now. To request your badges, call (719) 633-6427.

Be sure and order the magnet-backed version.

EVENTS

December 12, 2024: Holiday Party, hosted by Christy & Marcus Dodson, ArrowCreek, Reno, Nevada. To get on wait list, contact Marcus Dodson at marcus.c.dodson@gmail.com or (775) 997-9901.

January 8, 2025: Sierra Nevada MBCA Second Wednesday Dinner, hosted by Gail & Vencil Wells, Pietro's Famiglia Ristorante Italiano, Sparks, Nevada. To RSVP, contact Gail Wells at black-swan342@gmail.com or (307) 763-1701.

February 4, 2025: Sierra Nevada MBCA First Tuesday Dinner, host and location to be determined.

March 4, 2025: Sierra Nevada MBCA First Tuesday Dinner, host and location to be determined.

April 1, 2025: Sierra Nevada MBCA First Tuesday Dinner, host and location to be determined.

May 2-4, 2025: Sierra Nevada MBCA Overnight Drive, hosted by Sue & Marc Dodson, Dunsmuir, California. Stay two nights in a caboose. To RSVP contact Marc Dodson at marc.v.dodson@gmail.com or (775) 771-1080.

May 24, 2025: Wash & Shine Event, hosted by Bill Reuter, Minden Mill Distillery, Minden, Nevada. To RSVP, contact Bill Reuter at WGR1225@yahoo.com or (614) 477-4571.

July 12, 2025: Christmas in July Party, hosted by Christy & Marcus Dodson at their home, Reno, Nevada. To RSVP, contact Marcus Dodson at marcus.c.dodson@gmail.com or (775) 997-9901.

August 1-2, 2025: Hot August Nights, Virginia City, Nevada. www.hotaugustnights.net, (775) 356-1956.

August 5-10, 2025: Hot August Nights, Reno, Nevada. www.hotaugustnights.net, (775) 356-1956.

Video of the Month

Mercedes Holiday Advertisement...



To get in the spirit of the season, Mercedes-Benz® always releases its iconic ads to help their customers get those warm and fuzzy holiday feelings. This ad features a family with a young boy who wants to go on a date to the movies, even though it's snowing. As the weather worsens there is no sign of his date. To watch the short video click on the link below or scan the QR code with your smart phone.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5QsN5axnwQw>



IN CLOSING

Christmas Time

The Holidays Can Be Tuff & Oftentimes Humorous

by Marcus Dodson, Newsletter Editor

(Editor's Note: The following story may have absolutely nothing to do with Mercedes or automobiles, but we feel it's interesting nonetheless. If you have a humorous or interesting story you would like to submit for this column, call us at (775) 997-9901.)

Family photos. Holiday shopping. Dealing with people that you only see once a year. The Holidays can be tough. Photos that are taken during this time of year sometimes reflect that. Here are some images to brighten your day.

