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## President's Letter



March came and went really fast, but our club managed to work in several events of interest.

Stephanie Giesbrecht introduced the March speaker, Dr. Sam Butman, a cardiologist and Chief of Staff of Verde Valley Medical Center. His mission was to collect comments from our members as to how the hospital could better served the community. He was a very good speaker, with a great sense of humor. We had a lively and entertaining session, after which we adjourned for refreshments.

Thank you Vince and Betty Monaci and Sally Peck for refreshments and David and Rachel Lombardi for the coffee. There are still a few openings on the "refreshment chart." Please consider signing up at the April meeting.

The St. Patrick's Day parade on March 16 was again led by Joe Tulley and his "Pipes & Drums" band. They took first place in their category. Our club drove 12 cars—the maximum allowed by the parade officials. All cars completed the parade—no drop outs this time. Afterward, about 20 members went to lunch at Mongo's Bar and Grill in the Village. Steve Blank did another good job by setting up the mandatory eating component of this event.

Luke Lukich conducted the Hwy. 89A cleanup on Saturday, March 23, with breakfast afterward at Café Jose. If you would like the club to pick up the breakfast/brunch for you, volunteer at the next request for highway cleanup.

Moving to April, be sure to participate in the Al Moss Memorial Garage Sale Rally on April 6. For you new members, this is a combination treasure hunt/rally based on finds at Sedona's weekend garage sales. Good luck with this event, Steve.

Bring your most beautiful classic to the car display at Bashas' parking lot on April 20. More information inside the newsletter.

See you at the general meeting on April 9.

*Larry Currie*



# Reminders:

## NEXT MEETING

April 9 at 7:00 p.m.

### Guest Speaker

**Carole Dvorak,  
Volunteer, at  
Fort Verde State  
Historical Park  
in Camp Verde**

**“Hold the Fort”**



The USPS is offering a new series of Forever stamps— Muscle Cars— America on the Move—dedicated in Daytona, FL on February 22, 2013. If your local post office has run out, you can order them online at [usps.com](http://usps.com).

## Bashas' Display—April 20

If you are interested in attending and didn't sign up at the last meeting, call Steve Blank at 928-284-2112.

## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

April 26-27 20th Beeline Charity Show, Payson  
April 27 D.I.C.E. Alliance Spring Show and Shine,  
Prescott

# CLUB CLIPS



**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**

**TO:**



Susan Stanton	1
Rose Pietrofitta	8
Rica Soltero	14
Judy Gain	17
Jean Jorgensen	23
Pat Wiegand	27

**Welcome new members,  
Barry and Arlette  
Levitan.**

**Thank you,  
Stephanie, for  
arranging our  
March speaker,  
Dr. Samuel Butman.**



## Club Calendar

**April 6—Al Moss  
Memorial Garage Sale  
Rally**

**April 9—Club Meeting,  
7:00 p.m.**

**April 20—Bashas' Display**



**Congratulations  
On Your Anniversary!**

**April 20  
Robert & Teresa  
Van Steenburgh**

## **Club Meetings**

The General Meetings of the Sedona Car Club are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the Sedona Library except in June when our meeting is the Annual Picnic and in December when it is the Annual Christmas Party. We do not meet in July. Please attend and bring a car-loving friend.

## **Board Meetings**

The Board meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. at the Cousins' clubroom. All members are invited to attend.

## **Tire Tracks**

*Tire Tracks* is published eleven times a year by the Sedona Car Club and contains information on events and activities of interest to members. It is compiled and edited by Jane Tusso and posted on the website by Steve Blank before the monthly meeting. All submissions are due by the 22nd of each month. Email them to: [chathamjet@yahoo.com](mailto:chathamjet@yahoo.com).



St. Patrick's Day Parade/  
Lunch at Mongo's Bar and Grill  
March 16, 2013

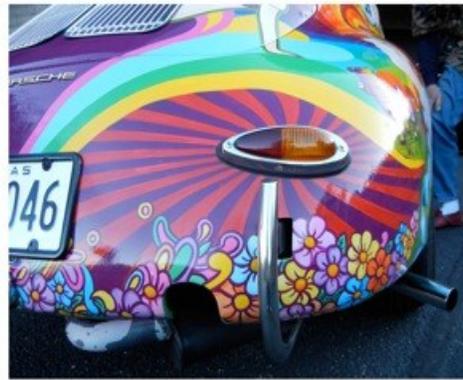
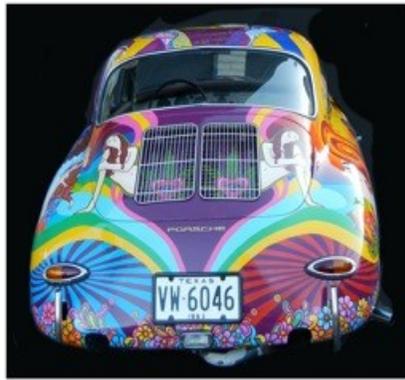


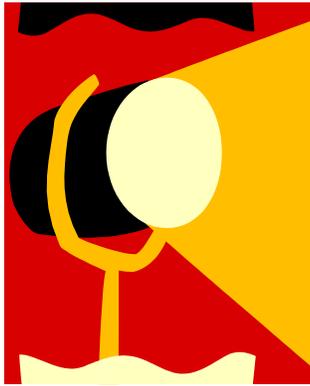
**Remember at the January meeting when Victoria Clark spoke about an Art Car? Thanks to Ellie Haga, see below.**



"My friends from Texas, who have a huge collection of cars, paid me a visit here in Sedona while attending the 2010 Copperstate Car Show in their "Art Car." It was competed in 2009 for the Houston Art Car competition."

“Like Victoria in her presentation, I had no idea what an art car was. I soon found out about art car competitions all around the U.S. This 1961 Porsche's theme obviously was from the hippie movement. When the radio was played, the music was timed to make the car shake, rattle, and roll to the beat, with blue smoke coming from beneath the car as it wildly vibrated. It was truly an amazing feat. The artist was asked to create the artwork to look like it was painted by the hippies of that generation.”





## Spotlight on the ladies of the SCC...

### VICTORIA CLARK



Most of you know Victoria because she and husband, Mike, have been car club members since 2001. You probably know her because she is in charge of car club programs each month. But what you may not know about her is that she is a former state president of the historic preservation group "Questors," and she writes articles for two collector magazines. While she has lived in Arizona for most of her life, she states that "she was made in Arizona, but not born here!" She is a graduate of Pima College and the University of Arizona, and a retired professor of writing and literature at Pima Community College in Tucson. She and Mike moved to Sedona full time in 2000, and she is the proud owner of a red 1959 Thunderbird.

Victoria admitted she has two downfalls: collecting old postcards and vintage dishes. Victoria is an author as well and has incorporated her love of postcard collecting into three published books: *A Journey Through Southern Arizona*, *A Journey Through Northern Arizona*, and *How Arizona Sold Its Sunshine: The His-*

*toric Hotels of Arizona*. She felt that old postcards were a good way to illustrate American history. Victoria and I share a love of vintage dishes and I was very excited to see her collection of original Fiestaware (pictured below) that was manufactured by the Homer Laughlin Company from 1936-1972, her collection of Frankoma Pottery of Oklahoma (Plainsman in Prairie Green), and Noritake (Azalea).

Thank you, Victoria, for sharing your awesome story with the SCC.



The World War II B-25B Mitchell Bomber named "Executive Sweet" visited Sedona Airport on March 30, 2013. Several car club members got to experience the ride firsthand.



Several dozen military trainer aircraft such as T-34s and T-36s also flew into Sedona.



## Related Car Websites

Take five and take a drive. Click [here](#) to see the youtube video.

[Audi](#) does it again.

Here's an article about the world's fastest accelerating car. It will cost you only \$1.2 million. Click [here](#).

This gas is being sold in some stations around the country but don't know the danger of using it. This is interesting. Watch this [video](#) about E15 gas if you have a car older than 2012.

This guy is really mechanically inclined. You've got to see it to believe it. Click on this [link](#).

# Old Car Trivia..if you love old cars

1. What country did the Minerva automobile hail from?



2. The name of what car "suggests the comradeship of good friends as a personal car should be to its owner" while also meaning "a small, vicious animal that eats Mustangs"?

3. Who is responsible for the blue and white paint scheme on the Shelby Cobra?



4. What car was the first to have automatic transmission?

5. What car was the first to offer air conditioning?



6. What popular car sold only two units in its first year in the U.S.?

7. What was the first car fitted with an alternator, rather than a direct current dynamo?



8. What was the first car to have its radio antenna embedded in the windshield?

**Answers on last page.**

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### Trivia Answers:

1. Belgium
2. Camaro
3. Dan Gerber, who raced in the SCAN Series, of the early sixties.
4. Oldsmobile introduced its four-speed Hydra-Mastic as a \$57 extra in 1939.
5. The 1939 Nash offered an optional heating-ventilation system called the "Weather Eye."
6. Volkswagen sold only two Beetle's here in America in 1949.
7. The 1960 Plymouth Valiant
8. The 1969 Pontiac Grand Prix

**Be sure to check the SCC website for future events and photos from past events.**



**This family car was a green 1952 Plymouth Cranbrook.**



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