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President's Letter

Hello Everyone,

It's been cold recently, huh? More so than ever for Rachel and me because we were low on propane and didn't want to run out. Not entirely our fault. I called to order a delivery on a Tuesday a few weeks ago. Our delivery day is normally Thursday. I was told that they needed a 48 hour lead time to make a delivery so I would have to wait until the following Thursday. That meant we would need to stretch our propane supply for ten days. We lowered the thermostat, and turned the heat off at night. Along came our cold snap. We kept the house at about 60 degrees during the day. It would be less than 50 degrees when we woke up. Brr. But we made it. Finally we'd get our delivery the next day. You remember that day. The day it snowed. The truck never came. I called to ask when it would arrive and was told they were not making deliveries because of the snow. Sissies! (That's the worst our editor will accept). Finally 5 days later, at 8:00 p.m. they made our delivery.

I have been involved in planning one of our upcoming events and I hope we will get good participation. I am sure that you have heard or read that church attendance has been down for the past years, especially since Covid. One of the ladies on staff at my church, St. John Vianney Catholic Church, knowing of my interest in cars and my affiliation with our Club, asked me if I could put on a car display at the church. Her hopes are to provide an event at the church for the community to enjoy, and something the church members would enjoy besides just going to church for an hour on Sundays. I agreed because, selfishly, I think it will be a good event for our Club.

The display will be on Saturday, April 29th, from 10:00 a.m. 'til 12:00 p.m. Besides cars, there will be live music, and like other Saturday morning car displays, coffee. Besides our cars, we are inviting the cars from the car display in the Village on the same morning to come to our display, and we will be promoting our event throughout Sedona to invite other car owners. I hope you will help make this a fun event by being there.

On our other club news I am happy to say that our annual car show plans are well underway. Mike Clark will be the Chairman again, ensuring that it will be a good show. Thanks Mike. Hope to see you at the meeting on the 14th.

David





Claudia Converse	1
Bruce Huelat	1
James Converse	6
Jan Stalcup	6
Jim Warren	21
David Shepherd	22
Ronnette Coleman	24
John Hatfield	24
Nick Plenzick	25
Michael Merchant	26
W. M. Stalcup	26

Anniversary Congratulations **Paul and Zelda Baily**

Editor's Note

Keep your story suggestion coming. Your story does not have to be about a special car; it could be a special drive or trip, a remembered garage moment, or some car-related wisdom or anecdote. Send stories or story ideas to:

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Wanted

8'x26' Enclosed Car Trailer.
Contact: amysue8@gmail.com

Club Calendar

Next Regular Meeting
Tuesday, March 14

March 18
Sedona St. Patrick's Day
Parade
(12 cars possible)

Save the Dates!

April 15
Highway Cleanup

April 29
Car Display at St. John
Viani Church

October 14
40th Annual Sedona Car
Club Car Show
Sedona Airport
Featured Car: Corvette

Want to participate in club events? Contact Craig Haberler:
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Upcoming Activities

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, March 14

Guest Speaker:

**Jerry, Native American Historian and Geronimo
Grandson**

"Geronimo and Arizona Apache"

Next Month

Arizona Author Roger Naylor

His books will be available for sale for cash or check.

Local Car Activities

First Saturday of Every Month

Firecreek Car Show, Firecreek Coffee, Cottonwood

Last Saturday of Every Month

The Sedona Cruz-In, The Collective, VOC

March 18

Sedona St. Patrick's Day Parade

Details about meeting time and location will be provided as soon as Sedona Parks and Recreation make them available.

Member Story – Don Hallford

A Porsche Family

My introduction to the Porsche brand came from a friend I met in the late 70s, we still keep in contact today. He owned Camaros and Corvettes when I first met him. He would take me for rides in them. They were great cars. Then he bought a 1990 Porsche 928. That was the first car he ever scared me during a ride. I could not believe how fast that car was, fast and luxurious at the same time. Not like a Camaro or Corvette. I told myself I would own one, one-day.

My first Porsche was a 1998 Boxster. A truly fun car. “Fast enough, but not fast enough to get you thrown in jail”, I used to say. After owning it a few years we traded it for a 2003 911 S4. It was a blast to drive and with the PDK Leigh enjoyed it as much as I did.

I’m a DIYer and was surprised at how easy the 911 and the Boxster were to maintain. Soon afterwards I was financially able to afford my dream car, a Porsche 928. I bought a 1988 928 S4. It was in decent shape when I purchased, but it suffered from a few years of neglect.

After several years of maintenance and several thousands of dollars, (don’t ask the amount) the car has evolved into a dependable daily driver. It is everything I dreamed it would be. I buy cars to drive and maintain, not to sit in the garage.

Leigh and I decided to upgrade to a more modern car. The 911 was an “analog car in the digital age”. She is a terror internet shopping. I told her

I wanted a GTS with a manual transmission, a bit of a challenge to find. It took her a few weeks, but she found a lovely vehicle in CA. When I first looked at the car I said, "that is a lovely car, I want to get it". Making a long story short, we are now the proud owners of a 2019 911 GTS Cabriolet. What a fantastic vehicle.

Sadly we only have a three car garage and Porsches were not meant to be parked in the driveway.

The first to go was the 911, it now resides in NM. The 928 is still for sale, not the same market as for a 911.

We joined the Sedona Car Club as soon as we moved to Sedona as a way to meet more people, being new to the Sedona area. It's a move we have not regretted. We've met some fabulous people and enjoyed some wonderful rides. We plan to continue our membership for a long time to come.



General Information

Club Meetings

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 9:00 a.m. at the Christ Lutheran Church. All members are invited to attend.

Tire Tracks

Tire Tracks is published eleven times a year for information on events and activities of interest to members. The editor is RAY MICHALOWSKI. Look for it on the club website before the monthly meeting.

Submissions are due by the 1st of each month. Email them to: Raymond.Michalowski@gmail.com

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