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NEWS AND VIEWS FOR MEMBERS OF THE SEDONA CAR CLUB

President's Vehicle

Things are progressing smoothly, as usual. We now have an operating PA system for the monthly meetings. A firm date has been established for the annual car show at the airport (September 17th). The Lease Negotiating Committee has finalized a lease with the Adult Community so our monthly meetings and June picnic will continue as usual. As of this writing, the Garage Sale Event has been postponed twice on account of rain and a lack of garage sales and by the time you read this, will (hopefully), have been held on March 5th.

We have twelve stalwart SCC members driving their lovely cars in the



St. Pat's Parade, 19 for the April Briskman/Kartchner tour and 12 for the May Utah tour.

Please don't forget the date changes for the April and May meetings. Let's support the Payson Car Show (April 29-May 1).

Happy St. Pat's Day, Easter, and don't forget March 21st is Benito Juarez' birthday.

Al Moss

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The April general meeting has been re-scheduled for April 5th, not the 12th as normally scheduled. Also, the May meeting is rescheduled for the 17th instead of the 10th. Please mark your calendars!

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MARCH PROGRAM

Car Club member Victoria Clark will take members back in time as she introduces the club to a character long past.

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CLUB CLIPS



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Oops! Last months issue listed Lon Walters birthday on 2/28. It was Margie's birthday not his.



Club Calendar

March

- 12 Saint Patrick's Day Parade.

April

- 12-13 Briskman Car Collection in Scottsdale & Kartchner Caverns. See details on page 7.

May

- 8 Mother's Day Brunch (tentative)

- 9-12 Utah Tour.

June

- 14 Annual Picnic

- 25 Moonlight on Verde Canyon Railroad or Moonlight Auto Tour. (tentative)

August

- ? 2nd Annual Member's Garage visit.

- 16-22 Monterey Historic Races, Concours etc.

September

- 16 NAU Dinner

- 17 Annual SCC Car Show. (Tentative)

October

- 18-20 Petrified Forest & Canyon de Chelly. See details on page 7.

November

- ? Treasure Hunt/Rally

December

- ? Cottonwood Christmas Parade

- 14 Annual SCC Christmas Party

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Congratulations! On Your Anniversary!

11 Terry & Sandra Medulla

29 Larry & Vicki Currie



MARCH MEETING MINUTES

President Al Moss called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Ed Horvat led the Pledge of Allegiance and then introduced our speakers, Matt Shobert and Angel Morales of the Sedona Fire District. They talked about medical emergency procedures. Shobert, using slides, explained the portable EKG for diagnostics in the field. Results can be transmitted by various rapid means to the hospital. Morales showed the portable defibrillator, which is becoming more common in public places, such as state parks, spas and airports.

The business meeting started with introduction of guests. The minutes were accepted as published in *Tire Tracks*. The regular meeting nights in April and May have been rescheduled to April 5 and May 17.

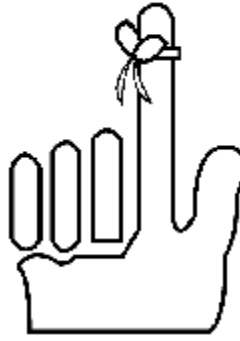
A garage sale rally is Saturday, February 19. Details are in *Tire Tracks*. Two openings exist for the Karchner Caverns tour. There are still slots open for the May tour to Utah.

Bill Harrison said he needed a few more families to sign up for refreshments. Volunteers came forward so cookies will be served. Moss thanked Christies and Niederkorns for February refreshments.

Moss explained that tsunami relief would be added to our list of contributions this year. Seventeen members have not renewed. Tom Wachs won the 50/ 50 raffle. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Ed Pittman Acting Secretary.



DON'T FORGET!!



Don't forget when you shop at Bashas' to register your card to the Sedona Car Club. As of 2/13 we have 13 participants, but have earned \$80 dollars for the club. We have much greater potential. There is still one month to go. Tell the cashier to enter the Car Club number.

Free tax preparation provided by volunteers sponsored by the IRS and AARP is available at the Sedona Library every Tues., Thurs., & Sat between 10 AM and 2 PM from February 1st to April 14th. Certain complex returns are not eligible. There are no income or age restrictions. Check with Greg Zucco for more info. 204-5854

In Sympathy

Condolences go out to Larry and Vicki Currie on the passing of Larry's mother late in February. She resided in California and was ninety-five years old.



REFRESHMENTS

Thanks to Harry Christie & the Niederkorn's for February refreshments. We look forward to the La-Torre's, the Bangiola's and Bill Harrison providing refreshments in March.

Meet the Members



Ed Horvat/Janelle Sparkman

Ed was born and raised in Youngstown, Ohio and graduated from Kent State University in 1978. He traveled with his Business Degree to Denver, Tucson and Phoenix before finally landing in Sedona early in 2002. For the past 3 years, Ed has been a "Red Dust Cowboy", i.e., a Jeep tour guide. Ed currently manages the fleet and drivers at The Adventure Company in Tlaquepaque. He also plays golf three times a week and bowls twice a week at Cliff Castle Lanes.

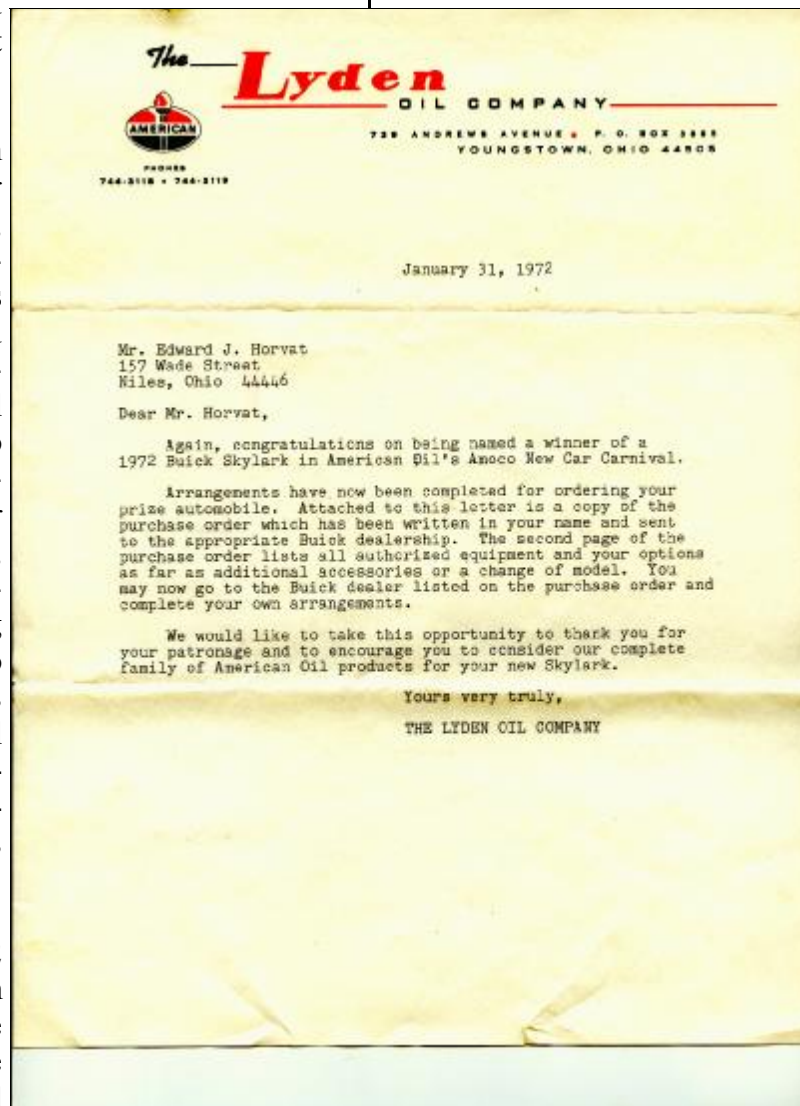
Janelle and Ed met in 1995 at The Little Bear Tavern in Evergreen, Colorado. They exchanged phone numbers on matchbook covers and the rest, as they say, is history. Janelle's spiritual calling led the couple to Sedona. Janelle is a Minister and Managing Partner of Red Rock Celebrations, LLC, a nation-wide, full-service wedding planning company, allowing her to combine business skills with officiating joyful celebrations in sacred settings. She is an avid jogger and hiker and enjoys mountain biking.

Ed's beauty is a 1972 Buick Skylark Custom convertible, fire-engine red. Now, some people spend lots of time and money finding and restoring wonderful old cars. Ed is much too poor, dumb and lazy for that. He got his "Dragon Wagon" by other means, as you shall see. Rewind back to late 1971 when Ed was a junior at

Niles McKinley High School, Niles, Ohio (home of the Niles Red Dragons sports teams). Being of age and nothing more to drive than a 1965 rust-bucket Ford, he longed for a better car to impress the ladies with. At that time, a local chain of American gas stations was sponsoring a "New Car Carnival" by giving away five new Buicks. Being well-connected to American Oil (his father was chummy with the nearby owner of a station) and down to the last car to be raffled off, Ed got the last thousand or so raffle

tickets. These needed to be filled out by hand. . . you know, name, address, phone number, etc. So Ed stayed up all night filling out these entries. You guessed it the ballot box was stuffed with "Horvat" entries (*Editor's note: Given Ed's proclivity for stuffing ballot boxes, he might make a good Democrat*) and he won that car. It became the official "Dragon Wagon" car to drive the cheerleaders around in for the local parades and home football games. The amazing part of all this is Ed kept the car in great shape even while putting almost 90,000 miles

on it. (Side note, the Buick is currently having everything under the hood replaced. Those 90,000 miles are making a lot of smoky exhaust.)



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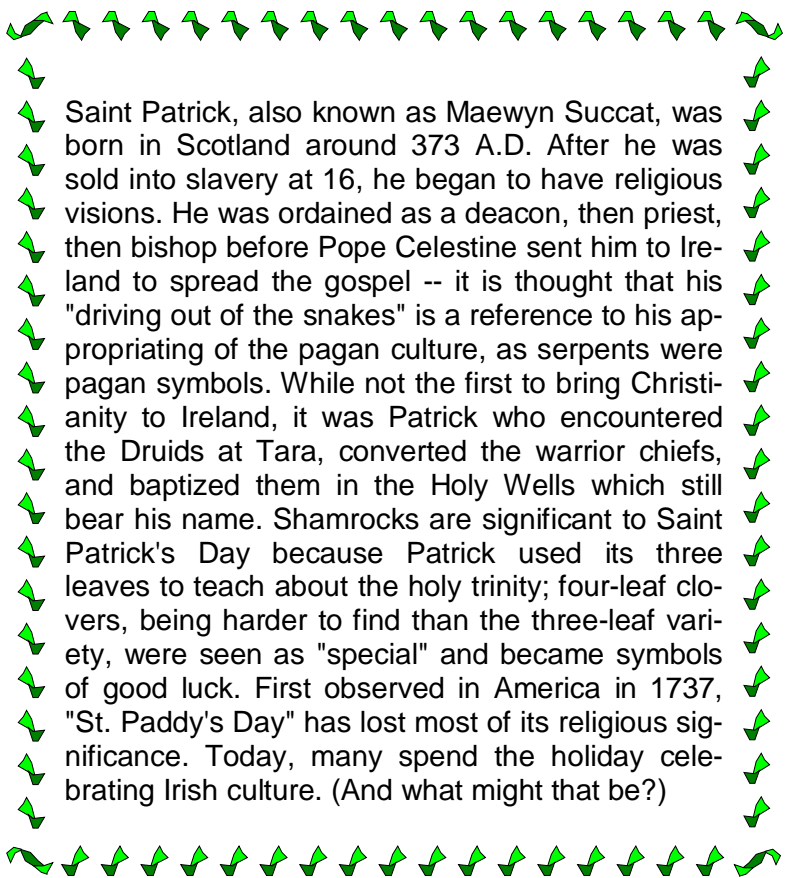
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Members To Remember

In some issues of **Tire Tracks** various members will be recognized for who they are or what they do. It seems like a good idea for members to remember other members when they need to do business in the community, need help with something, possess a special talent or contribute to the club or their community. Consider this your bulletin board. All postings and submissions are welcome.



In Honor Of All The Irish Members Of The Club
You know who you are...hic-up!



Saint Patrick, also known as Maewyn Succat, was born in Scotland around 373 A.D. After he was sold into slavery at 16, he began to have religious visions. He was ordained as a deacon, then priest, then bishop before Pope Celestine sent him to Ireland to spread the gospel -- it is thought that his "driving out of the snakes" is a reference to his appropriating of the pagan culture, as serpents were pagan symbols. While not the first to bring Christianity to Ireland, it was Patrick who encountered the Druids at Tara, converted the warrior chiefs, and baptized them in the Holy Wells which still bear his name. Shamrocks are significant to Saint Patrick's Day because Patrick used its three leaves to teach about the holy trinity; four-leaf clovers, being harder to find than the three-leaf variety, were seen as "special" and became symbols of good luck. First observed in America in 1737, "St. Paddy's Day" has lost most of its religious significance. Today, many spend the holiday celebrating Irish culture. (And what might that be?)

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2005 Tours & Events On Tap

And now the details...

- March: Saint Patrick's Day Parade. Saturday the 12th. Entries closed but come and cheer for our group.
- April: April 12-13. Another visit to the Briskman's car collection and home in Scottsdale. Then on to Sierra Vista for the night. Wednesday morning we will tour the newly-opened "Big Room" at Kartchner Caverns. This Tour is now closed.
- May: *May 8th. Mother's Day Brunch.*
May 9-12. Utah Tour. This Tour is now closed.
- June: Tuesday, June 14th. Annual Picnic. *Saturday, June 25th. A moonlight ride on the Verde Canyon Railroad, or a moonlight auto tour.*
- August: 2nd annual members garage visit.
Monterey Historic Races the week of 16th-22nd. Several Concours, auctions, etc.
- September: Friday, September 16th. Dinner at NAU.
Saturday, September 17th. Annual SCC Car Show.
- October: October 18-20. Petrified Forest and first night at La Posada in Winslow. Then two nights at Chinle with a great 5-hour ride up the bottom of Canyon de Chelly with Indian guides. (Don't miss this) Be prepared to sign up and pay for this tour at the June picnic.
- November: A Treasure Hunt/Rally
- December: Cottonwood Christmas Parade.
December 14th, SCC Christmas Party.

Dates in italics are tentative

Al Moss, Tour Chairman

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Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

The next meeting of the Sedona Car Club will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2005, at 7:00 PM, at the Adult Community Center of Sedona, 2645 Melody Lane.