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John Drake - Editor

Message from your President

I trust that all of you have had a nice start to the New Year. It is my desire that we have a very fruitful year and that we work with a desire to help others enjoy life by bringing back memories through the showing of our Cars and that we work harder to be a very strong, cohesive group.

We will continue to be faced with challenges as we progress. One such challenge is meeting the required number of showings each year. As I noted last month, we have at least 95 singles/couples in our Club. The number for 2014 was 87 (not including 15 Life Members). Based on Section II of our By-Laws, we must show our Car(s) at least 2 times in order to avoid the possibility of being dropped from the Club. This may seem harsh but I hope that you joined this Club to show your Car(s). I have already heard comments to the effect that – the Governing Board has first access, people have been sick, Car(s) not running, I called and the Show was full, I'm too busy, etc. One way to help get some relief is to come to a Board Meeting and request 'temporary relief' based on your reason(s). Another way is to call and make your reservation very soon after you get your News Letter. I have personally made a commitment not to make a reservation for my Car for at least two weeks after the Car Show is noted in the News Letter. Furthermore, when possible we may accept more Cars as Alternates. As an Alternate, you will get credit for attending that Car Show. Keep in mind that as an Alternate, you will not receive a token. In order for this to work, you, the Car Owner, should ask, when making your reservation, if there are any Alternate positions available. You still need to make a reservation and commit to show up for the Car Show. Our Contracts cover only a certain number of Cars. However, when parking space(s) are available, we will endeavor to add some Alternate positions.

We, the Governing Board, are looking into several things that we hope are exciting to all of you. One thing is that we are looking into having a couple of events that will be slanted towards a Community Service activity. This will hopefully get our CARS Club name out more in the public and may also, as a result, get us more Car Shows. Likewise, we may be fortunate enough, at times, to get some radio promotion/advertisement. You will hear more as more details are available.

I trust that the challenges that we're facing can be handled in stride. With your help, I'm sure that we, as a group, can overcome all of them as long as we keep a positive attitude. Please feel free to send your comments to me. I will consider them and share them with the full Governing Board. Send to: rvtravel-erb@netscape.net

Remember: HELP EVERYONE REMEMBER YOUR NAME – WEAR YOUR NAME TAG AT ALL EVENTS

Again, I look forward to a great, fun year serving you as your Club President.
J. W. Burrows --- Cell 309-453-3906 Home 623-815-8337

CAR Shows - Special Announcement

We, the Governing Board of Directors, for the C.A.R.S. Club have been discussing and making tentative plans for some special Car Shows. Two of the special Car Shows are based on our providing a community service. We are planning to have an Appreciation Day Car Show for each of the Sun City Prides and the Sun City West Prides.

At this point in time, we are planning to have the first one in Sun City West for the people of Sun City West to show their appreciation for the Sun City West Prides. The Car Show is tentatively planned to be held in the parking lot on the SW corner of R. H. Johnson and Camino del Sol on Saturday, May 2, 2015 between the hours of 9:00 am and noon. This Car Show will be a "Free Show" (no tokens). However, you will be given an attendance credit for attending this Special Car Show. We think that this will be a great opportunity for us to take an active part in recognizing and honoring other groups. As we continue to make the final arrangements, we will keep you posted.

Due to our rather busy, upcoming schedule, we will plan on conducting the Appreciation Day for the Sun City Prides in the late fall of this year (Oct/Nov).

The other Car Show is the one at Lake Pleasant that Burch noted in his email dated 1/28/2015. This should be a very interesting show with a lot of activities. I hope that you replied to Burch as he had requested. The Club definitely needs your support.

It appears that the month of March is going to be busy. I trust that everyone will enjoy the Car Show events that we have planned for your.

J. W. Burrows, President

January 28, 2015

A Look into the Future.....

Cars already have ways of detecting when something isn't quite right with their mechanics. The "check your engine" light, for example, lets drivers know something is up. Now, Chevrolet aims to take that to the next level.

The car manufacturer is developing technology for release in 2016 that can notify drivers when car parts need attention, it announced recently as part of CES 2015 (*Consumer Electronics Show*). What's more, Chevy claims the notifications will arrive, in many cases, before the vehicle's performance is affected.

The technology monitors the battery, starter motor and fuel pump. Sensors in the car then send data to OnStar's servers, and algorithms calculate whether everything is running properly. If the system detects that something could interfere with the vehicle's performance, the customer is notified through email, text, in-vehicle alerts or via an app.

"Using our innovative OnStar 4G LTE connectivity platform, we can actively monitor vehicle component health, and notify our customers if covered vehicle components need attention," Alicia Boler-Davis, senior vice-president of global connected customer experience for General Motors, Chevrolet's parent company, said in a release. "Nobody else in the industry can offer this."...

THE CLASS OF 1989: USHERING IN THE NEWEST CROP OF CLASSICS

By: Larry Printz

It was the year that Berlin Wall fell and the movie "Batman" dominated the multiplex. We were listening to Phil Collins and reading Tom Clancy's newest book, "Clear and Present Danger." It was 1989. And if, in 2014, you owned a car from that year, it's now 25 years old, making it eligible for antique status under many state laws and the bylaws of the **Antique Automobile Club of America**.

Don't have one from 1989? Here are some of the significant new models from that year. Get ready – you're about to feel a little older.

Buick Riviera

In an effort to rekindle slumping sales, Buick restyled the Riviera by adding 11 inches to its length, mostly in the rear. Despite being longer than the full-size Electra, the redesigned Riviera didn't add any passenger space to its cramped cabin. While the re-style did recall the more popular 1979-85 Riviera, the new looks were more baroque. A 165 hp 3.8-liter V-6 and four-speed automatic powered the front-wheel-drive luxury coupe.

Cadillac Coupe Deville/Fleetwood

A disastrous downsizing and lackluster sales led Cadillac to lengthen and restyle the Deville and Fleetwood to woo back buyers who still equated size with luxury. Coupes gained 5.8 inches in length; sedans added 8.8 inches. The resizing added both leg-room and trunk space, and allowed designers to revamp the interiors. A 155 hp V-8, four-speed automatic transmission and anti-lock brakes were standard.

Chevrolet Corvette ZR-1

The limited edition ZR-1, dubbed the "King of the Hill" by Chevrolet, helped re-establish the Corvette's performance credentials. Its all-aluminum, double-overhead cam 5.7-liter LT5 V-8 was developed with Group Lotus, the British car company then owned by GM. The ZR-1's V-8 was rated at 375 horsepower, 125 horsepower more than the standard Corvette, and could reach 60 mph in about four seconds.

Ford Thunderbird/Mercury Cougar

How's this for luck? The year that GM killed its popular rear-wheel-drive coupes in favor of new front-wheel-drive models, Ford redesigned theirs while retaining rear-wheel-drive. While shorter than previous models, both cars boasted a longer wheel-base and sleek, handsome styling. Power came from a 3.8-liter V-6 that developed 140 horsepower without a supercharger or 210 horsepower with one. Either a five-speed manual or four-speed automatic transmission was available.

Pontiac 20th Anniversary Trans Am

It's an old ploy. To extract maximum profit from an aging model, automakers tart up cars with paint and trim and offer them as limited edition models at a higher price. And while this Pontiac had its share of special trim, including white paint and tan-colored seating, it also got a very special engine under the hood: the 250 hp 3.8-liter V-6 previously used in the Buick Regal Grand National. A four-speed automatic transmission was standard. A mere 1,500 were built.

ACTIVITIES

Lunch at Rudy's "Country Store" and Bar-B-Q Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 1:30 pm. Reservations Required. Rudy's "Country Store" and Bar-B-Q, 845 N. Litchfield Rd., Goodyear, AZ. Members can use (1) \$5 token. Call Wanda Lewis 623-972-4893 or Judy Stout 623-566-1191 for reservations by Saturday, February 7, 2015. We will meet at 12:45 pm in the parking lot of the First Baptist Church at the corner of 111th Ave and Peoria Ave. in Sun City, and the caravan will leave at 1:00 pm (Please drive your antique cars, if possible).

Bunco Time!! February 13 at 1:00 at Karen Brower's house, 14929 W. Walking Stick Way, Surprise 85374, Phone 623-546-3157. If you cannot make it please find a sub and let me now. See you there.

Free Casino Trip - Wild Horse Pass Casino - Feb. 25, 2015. R.S.V.P. needed by Feb. 21, 2015. Bus pickup at 99th Ave. & Greenway, Sun City at 8:45 A.M. Park on the North side of Reality Building. Leaving casino at 3:00 P.M. & arriving back in Sun City approximately 4:15 P.M. Bring your I.D. & players card (if you have one). Contact: Wanda Lewis 623-972-4893

LADIES LUNCHEON - Ladies, Mark your calendar for lunch at the Culinary Institute on Monday March 16th. The all inclusive cost is \$17.50 and must be paid in advance to secure your reservation. **Reservations are due by Feb. 14th.** Call Mary Kay Campbell 623-875-5139 for reservations or further information. Thanks.

CAR SHOWS

Signup: Connie & Herb Carson: 623-337-4515 or hhccc-1@juno.com

7th Annual C.A.R.S. Club Valentine's Party / Show - Saturday, February 14, 2015 - 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.. Church of the Palms, Southeast corner of Boswell and 103rd Ave. Food will be provided by the church and the cost to guests will be \$7.00 each. *To register call Herb Carson at 623-337-4515 - hhccc-1@juno.com or Burch Pickett at 623-556-4488 - riverlv@cox.net.*

CAR SHOW - March 21st, 2015 - Vista De La Montana Seniors Home - 188510 N. Parkview Place, Surprise, AZ. Directions: This home is South of Grand Ave. at the corner of Mountain View & N. Parkview, which is the signal before Reems. Time: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Paid: Yes. Food: 10 meals in the dining room (DRIVERS ONLY), guests will have to pay!! If you did this show last year, give a NEWBE a chance!!! Sign-up with Herb Carson 623-337-4515.

Cruise Nights

Sam's Club, 16573 W. Bell Rd, Surprise - (Bell Rd. just East of 303) Friday evenings 5:30 P.M.

Board Meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month except December

Meetings start at 2:00 P.M.

Board Meetings for 2015 are as follows: February 23, 2015, March 23, 2015, April 27, 2015

No meetings May, June or July

August 24, 2015, September 28, 2015, October 26, 2015, November 23, 2015, December 28, 2015

Board Meeting Location is at Sunshine Service Building, 9980 Santa Fe Dr., Sun City, AZ.

(North of Grand Ave., & West of 99th Ave.)

All Club Members are encouraged to attend the Board Meetings

SUNSHINE LADY
Judy Stout -- (623-566-1191)

Connie Carson is in the hospital
Roseann Fenner is home recuperating

"ALL CLUB MEMBERS"

C.A.R.S. Club of Sun Cities is a member of the
Arizona Automobile Hobbyist Council
Go to: www.azautohobbyist.com for more information.
Meetings held 1st Tuesday of the month - 7:00 P.M.>

For Sale

Original V-8 V-12 V-16 Cadillac - La Salle Shop Manual, Copyright 1931,
Very Good to Excellent Condition. Asking \$425.00, contact Rip Fenner at **623-933-6272**
or **coppercricket@cox.net** for further information.

1973 Ford Mustang Conv., P/S, P/B, AC Very Nice. Asking \$21,000.00.
Contact Bruce Lewis 623-972-4893

1934 Ford Model 40 Deluxe Roadster. Rare twin side mounted tires; MOSTLY ORIGINAL INCLUDING FORD RADIO; rebuilt engine, starter & carburetor; new gas tank; many options; Washington Blue with Tacoma Tan trim. Asking \$60,000. Call 623-544-1929

Home for Sale 9914 W. Willowcreek Cir., Sun City, AZ This property has the potential for a detached garage (toy box). The house is a 2 br. 2 ba, 2 car garage, (expanded Yankee) separate laundry and work/store room. The land is 18,428 sq. ft. with enough room and access for a large detached garage. Great access to the detached garage from Willowcreek. I also own the property next door at 9910 Willowcreek where I built a 30x40 detached garage, which I occupy. Roger 602-684-3457

January Arizona Car Auction Update. Total for all auctions companies = \$292.8 million. Individual auction company results:

Barrett-Jackson - \$131.9 million - Avg. sale price - \$82,518;

RM Auctions - \$63.7 million - Avg. sale price - \$558,775;

Gooding & Co. - \$51.5 million - Avg. sale price - \$451,900;

Bonhams - \$24.8 million - Avg. sale price - \$340,058;

Russo & Steele - \$17.2 million - Avg. sale price - \$41,612;

Silver - through Sat. \$3.5 million - Avg. sale price - \$16,039.

Congratulations to J. W. Burrows, Katie Majerus and Roger Gordon for the great job they did on the Sunday morning January 25 radio show Shake, Rattle and Troll KFNB (AM 1100). They provided a history of the club, the activities offered and some great insight into their personal histories involving their own cars. Nice job to you all.

"REGALIA FOR SALE"

Sweatshirt.....\$18.00 Sport Shirt.....\$16.00
Jacket.....\$40.00 Cap.....\$10.00
Hat Pin.....\$3.00 Magnetic Sign.....\$5.00 ea.
Sizes: Small to X-Large (Some XXL Items)
Purchase items with Cash and / or Tokens
Contact: Judy or George Stout at 623-566-1191

**"C.A.R.S. CLUB NEEDS MEMBERS
CORRECT INFORMATION"**

If you have changed your address, phone number, email address, etc. contact:
Burch Pickett at riverlv@coxnet or
Call Burch at 623-556-4488
Also inform Rip Fenner by email at coppercricket@cox.net

C.A.R.S. of Sun City Special Activity.....

The following is a Special Activity of the C.A.R.S. Club of Sun Cities. This show is a free show meaning C.A.R.S. Club will not be paid for each car entered in the show. No tokens will be given to members who show their cars. However, each member will be given credit toward his/her minimum 2 car shows per year requirement. 40 cars will be needed. **Contact Burch Pickett as soon as possible to sign up. Burch Pickett 623-556-4488 or riverlv@cox.net**

Bill Luke Bass Days 2015, Lake Pleasant, AZ - March 14, 2015. 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM - Pleasant Harbor Marina 40202 N. 87th Ave., Peoria, AZ. - Pleasant Harbor Marina is located at the South East end of Lake Pleasant. Bill Luke Bass Days 2015 is the Southwest's largest family fishing tournament and festival - held March 13, 14 15 at Lake Pleasant. This year's is sure to be one of the biggest events! For the fishermen they are featuring over \$50,000 in cash prizes. For everyone, there is a day and night time festival featuring a Cornhole Tournament, carnival rides, vendors, food, wildlife exhibits and live music. Admission to the event is free. There is a \$6 County Park fee. Website: www.billlukebassdays.com



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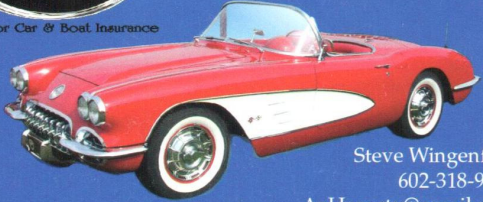
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Name Badge Replacement Policy: The first name badge for new members is "free". Replacement name badges, for any reason, can be replaced at a cost of \$5.00 per badge or \$5.00 in tokens.

**Checkout the C.A.R.S. Club website at
<http://www.carsofscaz.weebly.com>**

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