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EDITOR'S WELCOME



Hello Alumni!

Have you ever been inside a B-17 bomber or inside the bomb bay of a B-25 bomber? Our Club members and guests who attended the February 15th tour of the Falcon Field Commemorative Air Force Museum in Mesa did just that. The docent-led tours were very interesting and informative as various aircraft were viewed along with their history and experiences during their lifetime. More information about this event can be found on pages 4 - 6.

Now the Board is turning all its activity toward the Club's elegant 50th Anniversary Celebration on March 12th at the Martin Auto Museum and Event Center, while also working toward the final dissolution of the Club.

Many Club members have supported and contributed to the Club over the years. The Board's objective is to now return whatever resources remain after this event to its members who have continued to support the Club. This starts by presenting an enjoyable, elegant and memorable event at a cost to the member that is a small fraction of its actual cost. Special drawings at the end of the event will complete this process.

More information about the event can be found on page 3. Attendance is limited and all registrations and payments must be received by Hal Hubbard by March 1, 2024, as stated on the Registration Form found on page 8.

Following the March event, the Club will produce its final newsletter with a summary of the event. Pictures from the event will also be posted on the Club's website and available for viewing through April 2026.

Enjoy this newsletter until we meet again in March.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- * Further details about the 50th Anniversary Celebration
- * Registration deadline solid for the March event
- * Club Members enlightened with Falcon Field Museum Tour
- * Look Forward to the Club's 50th Anniversary in March - its Final Event



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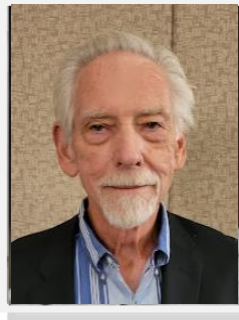
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Greetings!

Our February Meeting provided all in attendance with an outstanding and memorable hands-on tour of the "Falcon Field Commemorative Air Force Museum". The histories of the planes and their wartime contributions were amazing, particularly when you compare the WWII, Korean War, and Vietnam era planes and their technologies to today's designs.

The "Hands-On" included climbing into several of the planes, which was a real experience. As we toured the Museum, the contributions and sacrifices of the women and men associated with air combat and support were explained in detail. It made us all appreciate the sacrifices made by all those who served in those wars.

Looking ahead, we have one more event as a Club. As you know, it is the Club's 50th Anniversary Celebration being held at the Martin Auto Museum and Event Center on March 12, 2024. The Board has been working hard to define and present a memorable event for all. Plans include using the remaining Club resources to benefit its members as the Club will be dissolved after this event. More information about the event can be found later in this newsletter.

We will be presenting our final newsletter with a summary of the 50th Anniversary Celebration later in March, while posting pictures from the event on the Club's website - <https://www.azgmalumni.com/>. The website will remain active through April 2026 for people to reminisce and review old pictures and newsletters, while also identifying our Loyal Dealers and their Alumni Concierges.

I look forward to seeing you in March.

Jim Hall

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FINAL CLUB EVENT SCHEDULED MARCH 12TH

The **Tuesday, March 12th, 50th Anniversary Celebration** is our last chance to visit and celebrate together as a group, since the Club will be dissolved following this event. It is being held at the Martin Auto Museum and Event Center – an exceptional venue for this celebration. Club members were surprised and amazed at the displays and vehicles on hand when the Club first toured the museum in April 2022.

Add to that now in March an elegant buffet presented by the caterer – **Nibblers Catering** – an Arizona based award-winning conceptual hospitality brand that strives to deliver exquisite culinary experiences that surpass expectations. There will be special entertainment by the band **Gold Rush** – blending sounds from the musical worlds of rock, folk, country, bluegrass, rhythm & blues, and other influential sources.



GM Alumni Club of Arizona

50th Anniversary Celebration

March 12, 2024

Martin Auto Museum & Event Center

4320 W. Thunderbird Rd., Glendale, AZ

11:00 AM – 3:30 PM







Celebration Cost:

Discounted to \$30.00 Per Member or Spouse/Significant Other prior to December 31, 2023

\$40.00 Per Member or Spouse/Significant Other after December 31, 2023 with all registrations having to be received by March 1, 2024

- Elegant Buffet
- Museum Viewing
- Socializing
- Entertainment
- Kala Photos
- Memento



Celebration Attire

Watch for more details as they are finalized.



The Board encourages all members to join in this celebration and make the final event of the Club one to remember. Having existed for 50 years is a significant accomplishment and milestone to be celebrated, with no other GM clubs known to have made this achievement. The Club will be going out on a very high note, while creating many good memories for its members.

The event is for members and spouses/significant others only (or for a family member who might be required to drive members no longer able to do so themselves). The cost for this event far exceeds the \$40.00 per person being charged, as the Club is using its funds to provide value to its members for their continued support over the years. **All registration forms and checks must be received by March 1, 2024**, as seating is limited. **Registration Forms received after March 1st will be placed on a waiting list.** A **Registration Form** can be found on **page 8** or by clicking [here](#).

FEBRUARY 15TH FALCON FIELD MUSEUM TOUR

On Thursday, February 15th, the Club enjoyed socialization and a delicious meal at Milano's Pizzeria before going to the Falcon Field Commemorative Air Force Museum. The Club was met by two tour guides who provided interesting insight and background on the various aircraft on display, as well as those being restored or readied for commemorative flights. Enjoy the representative pictures below, with more to be found on the Club website by clicking [here](#).



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FEBRUARY 15TH FALCON FIELD MUSEUM TOUR (CONT'D)



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AMBASSADORS' CORNER



This section – the **Ambassadors' Corner** – will regularly keep you updated on what is happening at our Loyal Dealers – awards, special activities, promotions, incentives, etc. Check out their latest news below.

This month, the **Liberty** dealerships are happy to offer special deals to the GM Alumni Club members on their newest models as shown below. The designated concierges are always available to help you with your purchase.

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**50th Anniversary Celebration Registration Form
at Martin Auto Museum & Event Center
Tuesday, March 12, 2024**

Join us and celebrate the Club's 50th Anniversary at the Martin Auto Museum and Event Center. Enjoy...

- Elegant buffet by Nibblers Catering, featuring slow-roasted beef brisket and chicken cordon bleu entre.
- Entertainment by the Gold Rush trio
- Museum viewing
- Socializing and reminiscing with fellow Alumni
- Special memento and photos

Directions:

The Martin Auto Museum and Event Center is located at 4320 W. Thunderbird in Glendale (the northwest corner of W. Thunderbird and 43rd Avenue [west of I17]).

Time: 11:00 am – 11:30 am	Registration
11:00 am – 12:30 pm	Social Hour – Visiting and Touring Museum
12:30 pm – 12:35 pm	President's Welcome and Overview
12:35 pm – 1:30 pm	Buffet Dinner Served
1:30 pm – 2:00 pm	Entertainment
2:00 pm – 2:10 pm	President's Recognition & Closing Comments
2:10 pm – 3:30 pm	Social Hour – Visiting and Touring Museum

Menu: Buffet Dinner catered by Nibblers Catering, featuring slow-roasted Beef Brisket and Chicken Cordon Bleu entre, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Dinner Rolls, Cream Cheese Brownies, Ice Tea & Lemonade.

Cost: \$40.00 Per Member or Spouse/Significant Other with all registrations having to be received by **March 1, 2024**

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**50th Anniversary Celebration Registration Form
at Martin Auto Museum & Event Center
Tuesday, March 12, 2024**

Please return this portion of the form with your payment to:

(Please make checks payable to: **GM Alumni Club of Arizona**)

ALL CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY March 1, 2024

**GM Alumni Club of Arizona
c/o Hal Hubbard
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The following will be attending the Club's 50th Anniversary Celebration:

Member _____	Cost \$40.00 – Amount Included \$ _____
Spouse/Significant Other _____	Cost \$40.00 – Amount Included \$ _____
Total Amount Included \$ _____	

Any questions can be directed to Jim Hall (810-869-8944)

Note: Keep up to date by checking the Club Website frequently at www.azqmalumni.com.
Check out the "Calendar Tab" for details and Registration Forms for any and all events for the year.
Your participation allows your photo to be used as part of Club Newsletters and promotions.