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Hello Alumni!

As I drive around the greater Phoenix area and explore other areas of the valley, I am amazed at the building and growth that is occurring. This has prompted me to wonder what new opportunities might be available for us as a Club to explore and learn more about.

Since our members are scattered throughout the valley and extend from Wickenburg through Tucson, it would be interesting to know what you might be learning and

experiencing in your locale. What interesting venues might be available in your area that would be of interest to the Club members as a whole? What interesting speakers have you heard recently that might be of interest to the Club members as a whole? What interesting venues in AZ have you heard about from your friends that you and the rest of the Club might like to see?

These are the same questions your Board is considering as we began planning activities for the 2020 – 2021 program year. We are always looking for feedback from our members as to programs and activities of interest. We also actively search for venues throughout the valley that cater to the fact that our membership is scattered throughout the valley.

If you have suggestions for the Board to consider for future meetings, we will welcome your suggestions. Merely contact myself or any of the other Board Members who are listed in the margin of page 2 of this newsletter. Your opinions are very important to us.

In this edition of The Club Reporter you will find a summary of the recent overnight trip by the Club to Yuma to tour the Yuma Territorial Prison, the ASU Field-to-Feast opportunity, and Martha's Date Farm. It was an outstanding opportunity for Club members to learn about vegetable cultivation and shipment across the country, while enjoying a vegetarian meal and taking home a bag of free farm-fresh vegetables.

Pages 5 and 6 identify the coming Club activities for March through April – concluding the current program year. Neither activity is one you will want to miss. Sheriff Mark Lamb of Pinal County will be our speaker at the Gold Canyon Golf Resort and Spa. Sheriff Lamb has appeared frequently on Fox News as a strong proponent of constitutional rights. A bus is being provided for residents of the western valley by our loyal dealer Arrowhead Cadillac, with pickup at their dealership on the northeast corner of Bell Road and the Loop 101. **Reservations are required by February 27.** So make your reservation now!

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EDITOR & PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (CONT'D)

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April will find us enjoying the beauty of the Desert Botanical Gardens and the special feature of the *Wild Rising* animal sculptures throughout the Gardens.

April also finds us on the golf course where we will conclude the 2020 – 2021 program year with our Golf Scramble at Encanto Golf Course on April 15th.

You will find more information regarding these events and registration forms for each as you read further in the newsletter.

One last reminder, those who have renewed your 2020 Club Membership should watch your email for your 2020 Membership Card, if you have not already received it. It includes changes to our Alumni Concierges provided by our loyal dealers. Finally, the 2020 Membership Roster will also be distributed via email within the next several weeks

Enjoy!

Alan Steffe

2020 President Editor & Publisher, The Club Reporter alansteffe@yahoo.com

FEBRUARY 18-19 YUMA TRIP SUMMARY

On Tuesday morning, February 18th, several members and guests met at Coulter Tempe to begin the caravan drive to Yuma, where they joined the additional participants who met them for lunch at the La Fonda Tortilla Factory Restaurant. Following lunch, the group toured the Yuma Territorial Prison – a prison opened in 1876 and shut down in 1909. During its 33 years of operation, it housed 3,069 prisoners serving sentences for crimes ranging from polygamy to murder.



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FEBRUARY 18-19 YUMA TRIP SUMMARY (CONT'D)

After a restful night at the Best Western Yuma Mall Hotel & Suites, the group met at the Yuma Visitor's Bureau on Wednesday morning to begin the Field-to-Feast Tour – the highlight of the trip. After arriving at the University of Arizona Yuma Agricultural Center and learning about the purpose, activities, and process controls of the center, each participant was given the opportunity to gather some vegetables. One bag with a required selection would be given to a local charity, while a second bag could be filled with the participant's choice of vegetables and taken home for personal use. Following the harvest, a tour was taken of some of the 180,000 acres of farm land in the area. The tour concluded with a vegetarian meal provided by the Culinary School students at Arizona Western College.











Photos by Jon Moss, the Steffes, Karen Humbert, Patty Morosic & Others







"Wow...this rutabaga is so heavy that it broke my bag!"
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More photos can be found on the Club website under the Calendar – Previous Events & Photos

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FEBRUARY 18-19 YUMA TRIP SUMMARY (CONT'D)



The final stop before returning home was at Martha's Gardens Date Farm, where the group learned about the highly labor-intensive operations required to produce, pollinate, and harvest dates. Their 8,000 date palm trees cover over 100 acres and require a large amount of water from the 8 wells on site and year-round drip irrigation.



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2019 - 2020 REMAINING PROGRAM YEAR CALENDAR

Tuesday March 10, 2020

Gold Canyon Golf Resort & Spa

Mark Lamb, Pinal County Sheriff, Speaker



The March Luncheon Meeting will be held at the Gold Canyon Golf Resort & Spa in Gold Canyon, AZ. We are privileged to have Mark I



privileged to have Mark Lamb, Pinal County Sheriff, as our speaker.

Mark Lamb was elected as the 24th Sheriff of Pinal County on January 1, 2017. Sheriff Lamb

oversees a county the size of Connecticut and manages more than 650 employees within the department.

Sheriff Lamb has both experience in law enforcement and the private sector. He trained with the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Deputy Academy and was named Valedictorian of his class. He was hired by the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, where he excelled as a police officer and was named Rookie of the Year. The following year, he received the Officer of the Year award. He was later promoted as a Detective to the Gang Enforcement Unit, and in his first year he was named Detective of the Year.

As a constitutional conservative, Mark has strong convictions and is courageous in fighting for the citizens of Pinal County. Mark believes strongly in our Republic and our Constitution. He is a strong supporter of our 2nd Amendment rights and the enforcement of all of our laws, including those that pertain to fighting illegal immigration. And he is determined to protect the rights and freedoms of the people whom he serves!

Mark has been featured on several TV programs and is often seen being interviewed on Fox News stations. If you have not heard him or his interviews, the following VouTube Videos will give you a hint of what we might expect to hear on March 10th.

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=blo9xGl9kGk
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=phe41fTgOJM
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iSd8SPIIKWM
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= CTsikCL6VA

This will be an opportunity you will not want to miss. There is still time for you to register, and your guests are welcome as well. However, all registrations must be received by February 27th. A registration form can be found on page 7 for mailing as instructed or for dropping off at the registration table at the February 25th meeting at Courtesy Chevrolet.



Complimentary busing is being provided for participants who prefer not to drive to Gold Canyon by Arrowhead Cadillac from their dealership at 8310 W. Bell Road in Glendale to the Gold Canyon meeting site. A registration form for this very informative meeting can be found on page 7. Registrations must be received by February 27, 2020.

2019 - 2020 REMAINING PROGRAM YEAR CALENDAR - CONT'D

DESERT BOTANICAL garden



Tuesday April 7, 2020

Desert Botanical Garden Lunch & Tours

Come enjoy the beauty of the desert as you explore 50,000+ plant displays showcased in beautiful outdoor exhibits throughout the 55 acres under cultivation.

Join us on April 7, 2020 for a private lunch, and hear from a garden specialist in Binns Wildflower Pavilion at the Desert Botanical Garden. Following lunch, docent-led or self-guided tours will be available. This is the time of year when all the native plants will be in bloom with beauty being displayed everywhere.



Also available for touring will be the *Wild Rising* exhibit of 1000+ animal sculptures from Milan, Italy, positioned throughout the gardens. A registration form is found on page 8. Registrations are limited at 72 and must be submitted **by March 30, 2020**.



Wednesday April 15,2020

Annual Golf Scramble

The popular Golf Scramble will be held on April 15, 2020, at the Encanto Golf Club in Phoenix. This course is ideally suited for the average golfer. So regardless of your golf ability, this event is for you. This is always a good time for some friendly competition and stories about the shot "that almost went in," or the long putt that "really did go in." When you combine the camaraderie with the beautiful Arizona sunshine, being on the golf course, and the beautiful views



of downtown Phoenix, it is always a good time. Plan to join in the fun in April as we continue to grow the event. Form your own foursome, or sign up as a single or twosome, and you will be placed into a foursome. Check the Club website for further details. A **Registration Form** can be found on page 9.

Meeting Registration Form Gold Canyon Golf Resort & Spa Guest Speaker - Sheriff Mark Lamb, Pinal County Tuesday, March 10, 2020

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Note: A 56-person bus will be available to those from the western Phoenix area communities, with pickup and parking available at Arrowhead Cadillac, 8310 W. Bell Road, Glendale. Bus is first-come, firstserved. Register early to secure your seat on the bus.

Directions:

The Gold Canyon Golf Resort & Spa is located at 6100 S Kings Ranch Rd, Gold Canyon, AZ 85118. Take US-60 E/Superstition Fwy east to Gold Canyon. Turn left onto S Kings Ranch Road and continue for approximately 1 mile. Proceed past the main resort entrance on the left to the parking area just off the road on the left. The tent-like pavilion is located adjacent to this parking area.

Time: 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM Check-In & Cash Bar 11:45 AM - 12:45 PM Welcome & Lunch Buffet 12:45 PM - 1:00 PM **Brief Business Meeting** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Sheriff Lamb Presentation

Bus Schedule:

9:30 AM Departure from Arrowhead Cadillac 3:45 PM Return to Arrowhead Cadillac

Menu:

The Little Bella Italiano Buffet, including Classic Caesar Salad, Chicken Picata with Lemon-Caper Sauce, Penne Pasta with Fresh Tomato Basil Cream Sauce, Warm Garlic Toast, Cheesecake, Iced Tea and Coffee

Cost: \$26.00 Per Member or Spouse/Significant Other & \$31.00 Per Guest

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Please return this portion of the form with your payment to: GM Alumni Club of Arizona (Please make checks payable to: GM Alumni Club of Arizona)

ALL CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY February 27, 2020

c/o Hal Hubbard 26921 W. Wahalla Lane Buckeye, AZ 85396

The following will be attending the Gold Canyon Golf Resort & Spa Meeting:

	Member	Cost \$26.00 – Amt Included \$
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Number who will be riding the bus from the Arrowhead pick-up Total Amount Included \$

If special dietary needs, please enter number of each required: Gluten Free____ Sugar Free____ Vegan_

Any questions can be directed to Roxanne Steffe (810-280-1399) or Alan Steffe (810-513-3367)

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Meeting Registration Form Desert Botanical Garden Garden Speaker and Garden Tours Tuesday, April 7, 2020

Join us for a private lunch and Desert Botanical Garden presentation in the Binns Wildflower Pavilion before enjoying a group docent-led, or individual self-guided, tour of the gardens. The Desert Botanical Garden (DBG) is home to thousands of species of cactus, trees and flowers from all around the world spread across 55 acres in Phoenix. DBG's newest art exhibition is something you will not want to miss. Wild Rising is a traveling exhibit from Milan, Italy consisting of an installation of more than 1,000 animal sculptures made from colorful and recyclable plastic.

Location:

Located in Papago Park 1201 N Galvin Pkwy, Phoenix, AZ 85008

<u>Time:</u> 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM Social Hour (Cash Bar)

11:00 AM – 11:45 AM Garden Speaker 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM Box Lunch 12:30 PM – Garden Tours



Menu and Menu Options:

Box lunch selections include Chocolate Chip Cookie and Prickly Pear Tea plus one choice from the following:

- Sonoran Chicken Sandwich and Fruit Salad Sliced chicken, Pepita Pesto, Roasted tomatoes, Queso Fresco. Pickled Jalapenos, Telera Bread
- Turkey Sandwich and Fruit Salad Oven Roasted Turkey. Apple Raisin Serrano Mustard, Spring Greens, Havarti Cheese, Telera Bread
- Southwest Chicken Caesar Salad Romaine, Chicken, Tortilla Frizzles, Parmesan Cheese, Chipotle Caesar Dressing
- 4. <u>Strawberry Chicken Salad</u> Greens, Chicken Breast, Strawberries, Walnuts, Jicama Goat Cheese, Raspberry Vinaigrette

Cost: \$25.00 Per Member or Spouse/Significant Other & \$3	0.00	Per	Guest
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Special Event Golf Outing - April 15, 2020

Encanto Golf Course | 2745 N 15th Avenue | Phoenix, AZ 85007 | 602-534-4653



Golf Fee \$70 Members & \$75 Guests - Includes Golf, Cart, Awards, Lunch and Beverages

✓ 18 Holes of Golf with Cart ✓ Scramble Format ✓ All Levels with Handicaps

Please ADVISE if you are forming a foursome. Otherwise, we will attempt to form teams of equal skill based on handicaps submitted.

Check-in Begins at 7:00 AM at the Check-in Table. Arrive no later than 7:30 AM

Encanto	Golf Course – April 15, 2	2020
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