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EDITOR AND PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Alumni!

It really felt good to be back and socialize with Club members again as we had our first event of the 2020-2021 Program Year at the Hall of Flame Firefighting Museum in Phoenix on November 16th. With all the uncertainties of this past year and the next few months, it was comforting to socialize again with friends and enjoy experiences we have taken for granted as normal in the past.

The tour of the Hall of Flame was very informative and enlightening. The tour guide had more information to share than any of us could remember (thankfully there was no test afterward). It was very interesting to learn how the firefighting process and equipment changed over the past several hundred years, not only in the US, but also in some foreign countries. Further information and pictures from the event can be found on pages 2-4.

As noted previously, the Board is making every effort to conduct a full schedule of meetings or events for this program year despite all the uncertainties that continue to affect us. All activities would be conducted in compliance with the CDC, NIH, and governmental requirements in effect at that time. It is recognized that each member must make their own decisions as to whether they feel safe to participate or not. This will very likely impact the attendance we have come to expect in the past. However, the Board also recognizes that some members feel safe in participating and are seeking the opportunity to get out with friends and associates. At the same time, it must be remembered that situations may change suddenly and plans could change. Some meetings may have to be handled differently from the past. In any case, the Board feels compelled to continue moving forward, especially after seeing the positive response of the attendees at the first meeting.

With that in mind, you will find in this newsletter the latest details and registration forms for many of the planned activities going through April. Several activity options are still under evaluation for the month of March. Once the March activity has been finalized, it will be posted on the Club's website – www.azgmalumniclub.com – and communicated via the newsletters. Also note that several of the activities have minimum and maximum participants identified; therefore, complying with the registration due dates becomes critical to assure your participation or minimum participation to be able to hold the event.

I might add at this point that your Board is always looking for input from our members as to potential new tours, activities, events, or speakers they might recommend for future Club meeting consideration.

EDITOR AND PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (CONT'D)

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Our December 8th meeting is a tour of the Cerreta Candy Co. in Glendale – a great opportunity to see how candies are made and purchase a few sweet treats in advance of the coming holidays. Learn more about this activity on page 5 and join us for an enjoyable experience.

As we approach the end of the calendar year, it is again time to renew your Club membership for 2021. With all the uncertainties of this year and the cancellation of last April's events, the Board had extensive discussions regarding membership renewals. They decided that considering what this year has already presented and potentially holds for the future, and the current condition of the Club's finances, they are waiving the \$30.00 renewal fee for 2021 for all paid members in 2020; however, they are still asking members to submit the 2021 Membership Renewal Form to assure that the Club's membership records include your current email and phone numbers.

With the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays rapidly approaching, I want to wish you all a very Blessed Holiday Season! I pray that we all find a sense of peace, calm, and comfort during this season amid all the disruptions and upheavals we have experienced during 2020.

I look forward to seeing you all in 2021 as we meet on January 13th at the EVIT to hear a presentation on *"Fake News"* – a topic that is permeating the news lines daily.

Enjoy!

Alan Steffe

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

NOVEMBER 16TH - HALL OF FLAME

On November 16th, Club members met at the Hall of Flame Firefighting Museum in Phoenix – the world's largest firefighting museum – to learn about the history of firefighting, view how it has changed over time, and the types of equipment used, while recognizing the thousands of American firefighting heroes who gave their lives in the line of duty for their fellow man.



Jim Hall, Board Member and Event Coordinator, with Hall of Flame Exec. Dir., Chuck Montgomery



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NOVEMBER 16TH - HALL OF FLAME (CONT'D)

















Guess who? (Answer on page 7)

Thanks to Tim Hall for organizing this very successful event!



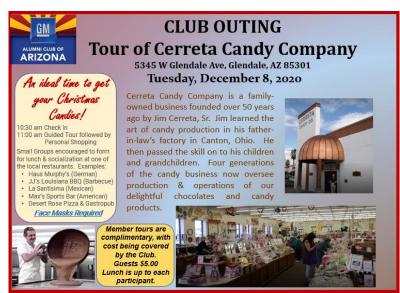
Photos Compliments of Roxanne Steffe

(Additional pictures can be found at www.azgmalumni.com/previous-events--photos.html)

2020 - 2021 PROGRAM YEAR CALENDAR

The 2020 – 2021 activities and events may require some further changes during the year due to future uncertainties with the COVID pandemic. Therefore, these are the best plans we have to date for your planning. As updates occur and plans are further finalized, they will be made available on the Club website – www.azgmalumni.com – and in future newsletters. So watch for these updates, stay flexible, and enjoy another year of interesting events with fellow Club members.

December 8, 2020



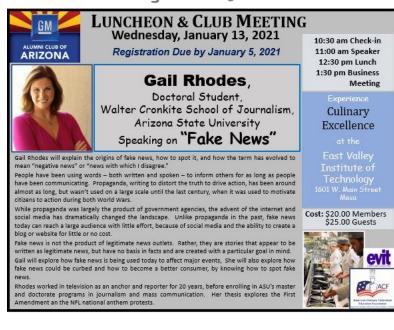
Everybody likes chocolate! Join your fellow Club members as you learn how candies are manufactured. A guided tour of the candy manufacturing process will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. Following the tour, you will be able to leisurely shop for the perfect candies that meet your needs, especially as the holidays approach.

You are then encouraged to conclude your day by joining a fellow Club member or two for lunch on your own at one of the many restaurants in the local area. A list and map for several restaurants in the immediate area will be provided as suggestions for your use.

The **Registration Form** for this event is found on page 8 and has a **due date of December 1, 2020**.

We hope you can join us on the 8th!

January 13, 2021



On January 13th, we will return to the East Valley Institute of Technology Culinary School for our luncheon meeting, where we will hear from Gail Rhodes speaking on the topic of "Fake News." With all the attention recently about Fake News, this will provide an opportunity for you to get answers to questions you might have, while learning about its history and role in recent years.

Gail has worked in television as an anchor and reporter for 20 years before entering the masters and doctoral program in Journalism and Mass Communication at ASU's Walter Cronkite School of Journalism.

The **Registration Form** for this event is found on page 9 and has a **due date of January 5, 2021**.

We hope you can join us for this very informative presentation.

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2020 - 2021 PROGRAM YEAR CALENDAR (CONT'D)

February 17, 2021



Sands Chevrolet - Surprise has invited the Club to be their guests at their dealership on Waddell Road in Surprise on February 17, 2021. Along with the opportunity to view the Sands collection of classic vehicles, you will have the opportunity to view the new Chevrolet cars, trucks and SUVs and learn more about the future of GM and Chevrolet products from a GM speaker.

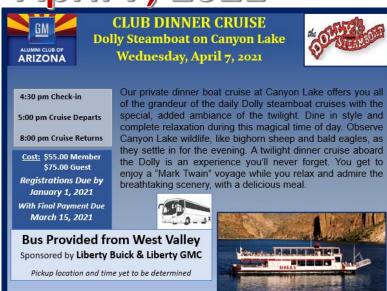
The dealers' expectations when they host these events is to have a large group becoming familiar with the great products GM has to offer. Therefore, a **minimum of 50 participants is required** for Sands to hold this event for the Club. As a result, the **registrations** for this event are **required by February 1, 2021**. The Registration Form for this event is found on page 10.

March xx, 2021

March Meeting Planning In Process - Stay Tuned!

Due to the uncertainties associated with the current pandemic, several events are still being evaluated and may not be decided until after the first of the year. Stay tuned for future communications and updates. The Club website can always be checked for the latest information at www.azgmalumni.com.

April 7, 2021



A private dinner cruise is planned for April 7, 2021, aboard the Dolly Steamboat on Canyon Lake. The twilight cruise will provide an experience you'll never forget. Liberty Buick and Liberty GMC will provide complimentary bus transportation for those members and guests from the west valley.

Since this is a private event, a **minimum of 45** participants is required for the event to take place, with a maximum of 50 allowed. Therefore, an **early registration commitment is required by January 1, 2021**, with final full payment due by March 15, 2021.

The early Registration Form for this event is found on page 11. Since you will not want to miss this exceptional event, remember to get your early registration submitted by January 1, 2021.

2020 - 2021 PROGRAM YEAR CALENDAR (CONT'D)

April 14, 2021



The 2020-2021 Program Year will conclude with the Club's annual golf scramble. It will return this year to Pebble Creek in Goodyear. The specific golf course and further details will be finalized after the first of the year.

In the meantime, save the date and begin to form your foursome. The event is open to men and women, low handicappers and higher handicappers. The scramble format gives everyone a chance to participate and enjoy a beautiful spring day on the golf course.

The day will conclude with lunch, prizes, and an opportunity to share all those special golf stories.

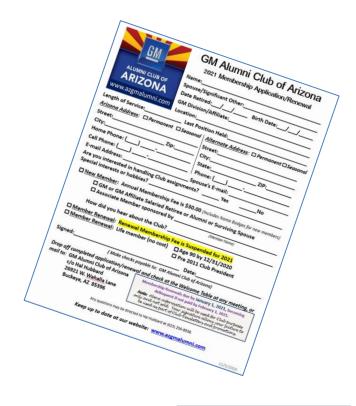
Watch for more information and the registration forms in future communications and on the Club website.

2021 CLUB MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

As the 2020 calendar year is coming to a close, it is time to renew your Club Membership for 2021. With all the uncertainties that 2020 has provided with the ongoing COVID pandemic, the fact that the Club had to cancel two events this past April, and the continuing uncertainties going forward, after lengthy discussions the Board has agreed to waive any renewal fees for the 2021 membership for all paid members for the year 2020. New members will still be required to pay the \$30,00 membership fee, since this also provides them Club name badges.

Even though the renewal fees are being waived for 2021, the Board is requesting that everyone complete a Membership Renewal Form to assure that the Club's membership records have your current email and phone numbers. You can find the renewal form on page 12 of this newsletter.

The Board reminds all members to encourage their fellow GM retirees/alumni who are not yet members of our Club to join our group and enjoy the group socialization and many events the Club offers throughout the year. A \$10.00 incentive coupon remains in affect for any member who recruits a new member to join the Club.



Event Registration Form Cerreta Candy Company Tour Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Come tour the Cerreta Candy Company factory and retail store - the largest candy store in Arizona. A guided tour will show and explain how the various candies are made - how a sea of caramel becomes wrapped treats and how cream centers are enrobed in luscious chocolate. Once you have learned the magic of candy manufacturing, you can do your Christmas candy shopping or purchase samples of the various types of candies available for later enjoyment. While there, we encourage you to connect with other Club members to visit one of the many restaurants in the area as a smaller group for friendly socialization while enjoying your favorite cuisine, whether it be American, Polish, Mexican, or German as examples. A listing of nearby restaurants will be available when you arrive.

Directions:

Address for GPS: 5345 W Glendale Ave, Glendale, AZ 85301 On W Glendale Avenue east of US60 between N 59th Avenue and N 51st Avenue

Time: 10:30 AM Check-In 11:00 AM Guided Tour

> 12:30 PM Lunch (On your own at a nearby restaurant

of your choice with friends)

Nearby Restaurants: (A list will be available at Cerreta's)

- Haus Murphy's (German)
- Desert Rose Pizza and Gastropub (Steak, Pasta, Seafood)
- La Santisima (Mexican)
- Max's Sports Bar (American)
- JJ's Louisiana BBQ (Barbecue)

Glendale

Cost: Complimentary for Member or Spouse/Significant Other & \$5.00 Per Guest

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Event Registration Form Cerreta Candy Company Tour Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Please return this portion of the form with your payment to:	GM Alumni Club of
(Please make checks payable to: GM Alumni Club of Arizona)	c/o Hal Hubbard
ALL CHECKS MUST BE DECEIVED BY December 1 2020	26921 W. Wahalla La

The following will be attending the Cerreta Candy Factory Tour: Member

Spouse/Significant Other

Guest

Guest Are/Were Guests Affiliated with GM?

(Name of Affiliate)

Arizona ane Buckeye, AZ 85396

If you have no guests, you can email hrhubbard@sbcglobal.net directly with your registration.

Cost \$5.00 Included \$

Cost \$5.00 Included \$

Total Amount Included \$____

Any questions can be directed to Hal Hubbard (623-256-8938)

Meeting Registration Form East Valley Institute of Technology – School of Culinary Arts Guest Speaker on "Fake News" – Gail Rhodes, Doctoral Student Walter Cronkite School of Journalism, ASU Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Gail Rhodes has worked in television as an anchor and reporter for 20 years, before enrolling in ASU's Master and Doctorate programs in journalism and mass communication. She will speak on the current hot topic of "Fake News." Her thesis explores the First Amendment and the NFL national anthem protests. Gail will explain the origins of fake news, how to spot it, and how the term has evolved to mean "negative news" or "news with which I disagree." Join us for a very timely and interesting program.

Directions:

The East Valley Institute of Technology - School of Culinary Arts is located at 1601 W. Main Street, Mesa, AZ. Take Hwy 101 to W. Main Street and travel east. The school is located halfway between S. Dobson Road and N. Alma School Road on the South side of W. Main Street.

Time: 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Check-In 11:00 AM - 12:30 AM Guest Speaker Presentation 12:30 AM - 1:30 PM Lunch Is Served 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM Business Meeting

Menu and Menu Options:

The specific meal selection includes:

- . SALAD: Mixed Greens with House Vinaigrette Dressing
- ENTREE: (Select One) Grilled Marinated Chicken Breast corn cake, black beans, Pico de gallo, sour cream drizzle

Pulled Braised Beef – cabbage slaw, scallion cheddar scone, Homemade BBQ sauce

DESSERT: Apple Pie – caramel ice cream, cinnamon crème anglaise

Cost:	\$20.00 Per Member of	r Spouse/Significant	Other & \$2	5.00 Per Guest		
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Meeting Registration Form

East Valley Institute of Technology – School of Culinary Arts Guest Speaker on "Fake News" – Gail Rhodes, Doctoral Student Walter Cronkite School of Journalism, ASU Wednesday, January 13, 2021

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The following will be attending the E. Valley Institute	of Technology		Entrée S Chicken	Beef
Member	Cost \$20.00	– Amt Included \$		
Spouse/Significant Other	_ Cost \$20.00	- Amt Included \$		
Guest	_ Cost \$25.00	- Amt Included \$		
Guest	_ Cost \$25.00	- Amt Included \$		
Total Amount Included \$				
lf special dietary needs, please enter number of each	required: Glu	ten Free Sugar Free	_Vegan	_

Any questions can be directed to Alan Steffe (810-513-3367)

Note: Keep up to date by checking the Club Website frequently at www.azgmalumni.com.

Check out the "Calendar Tab" for details and Registration Forms for any and all events for the year.

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Meeting Registration Form Sands Chevrolet – Surprise, AZ GM Speaker – To Be Announced Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Our February 17th meeting will be sponsored by one of our loyal dealers – Sands Chevrolet – at its Surprise dealership located at 16991 W. Waddell Road in Surprise, AZ 85388. In addition to a display of new GM vehicles and Sand's exceptional display of "classic" vehicles, we will have a GM speaker yet to be determined.

Directions:

Address for GPS: 16991 W Waddell Road, Surprise, AZ

The dealership is located west of Hwy 303 south of W. Bell Road. If you are coming from the East Valley, take the 202 west to the I-10 west to Hwy 303 and turn north. From the Sun Lakes area, take the I-10 west to Hwy 303 and turn north. Look for W. Waddell Road and the dealership is located one block to the west of Hwy 303. If you are traveling from Scottsdale, take the 101 loop west to W. Bell Road and turn right. Travel to Hwy 303 and turn left and begin to look for W. Waddell Road, which is several miles south down Hwy 303. Turn right on W. Waddell, with the dealership one block down on the left.

Time:	10:30 AM	Check-In New & Classic Car Review
	11:45 AM	Business Meeting
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12:00 Noon Lunch 1:00 PM GM Speaker

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Menu yet to be finalized.

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Meeting Registration Form Sands Chevrolet – Surprise, AZ GM Speaker – To Be Announced Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Please return this portion of the form to: GM Alumni Club of Arizona c/o Hal Hubbard 26921 W. Wahalla Lane Buckeye, AZ 85396

Or drop it off at the Registration Table of one of the prior meetings,
Or email a copy of the completed form to Hal Hubbard at hrbubbard@sbcglobal.net

The following will be attending the Sands Chevrolet Meeting:

Member	Prospective Member	Spouse	
Guest	Guest	Guest	

ALL REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 1, 2021

Any questions can be directed to Pete Langenhorst (623-313-0133).

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ADVANCED EVENT REGISTRATION FORM

DOLLY STEAMBOAT DINNER CRUISE ON CANYON LAKE April 7, 2021

A private evening dinner cruise for our Club and guests aboard the Dolly Steamboat on Canyon Lake is planned for April 7, 2021. You will enjoy all of the grandeur of the daily Dolly steamboat cruises with the special, added ambiance of the twilight. Dine in style and complete relaxation during this magical time of day. Observe Canyon Lake wildlife, like bighorn sheep and bald eagles, as they settle in for the evening. A twilight dinner cruise aboard the Dolly is an experience you'll never forget. You get to enjoy a "Mark Twain" voyage while you relax and admire the breathtaking scenery, with a delicious meal. complimentary bus service provided by Liberty Buick and Liberty GMC will provide transportation for those on the west side of Phoenix. There is a requirement of 45 participants for the cruise to take place and an early deposit that the Club must make;



therefore, we are asking for your commitment and registration with partial payment as a minimum by January 1, 2021 to assure adequate participants to book the private cruise, with final payment required by March 15, 2021. Note that the guest fees are higher, since the Club is providing a \$20.00 subsidy for its members for this event. Indicate on the attached form if you would be using the complimentary bus from the west side of Phoenix.

GPS Directions: 16802 AZ-88, Tortilla Flat, AZ 85117





ADVANCED EVENT REGISTRATION FORM

DOLLY STEAMBOAT DINNER CRUISE ON CANYON LAKE April 7, 2021

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

ALL CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY January 1, 2021

Please return this portion of the form with your payment to: GM Alumni Club of Arizona c/o Hal Hubbard 26921 W. Wahalla Lane Buckeye, AZ 85396

The following will be participating in the April 7th Dolly Steamboat Dinner Cruise:

	Total Cost [Due Jan 1, 2021	Amt. Included	Use Bus
Member	\$55.00	- \$25.00	\$	
Spouse	\$55.00	- \$25.00	\$	
Guest	\$75.00	- \$35.00	\$	
Guest	\$75.00	- \$35.00	\$	
	Total Am	ount Included	\$	

\$25.00 of this deposit is non-refundable should you have to cancel before the event and no-

one else is available to take your place. Any questions can be directed to Jon Moss (586-484-3731).

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GM Alumni Club of Arizona

2021 Membership Application/Renewal

	Name:		
ALUMNI CLUB OF	Spouse/Significant Other:		
ARIZONA	Date Retired:/ Birth Date:/		
	GM Division/Affiliate:		
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Cell Phone: ()		Phone: ()	
E-mail Address:	Spouse's E-mail:		
Are you interested in handling Special interests or hobbies?		ents? YesNo	
□ New Member: Annual Me	embership Fee	is \$30.00 (Includes Name Badges for new members)	
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		(Member Nome)	
How did you hear abo	out the Club? _		
☐ <u>Member Renewal</u> : Life me	ember (no cost	t)	
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Signed:		Date:	
(Make a	hecks payable to:	GM Alumni Club of Arizona)	
Drop off completed application,	/renewal and c	heck at the Welcome Table at any meeting, or	
mail to: GM Alumni Club of Ari c/o Hal Hubbard	zona Mem	bership Renewals due by January 1, 2021, becoming delinquent if not paid by February 1, 2021.	
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Any questions may be directed to Hal Hubbard at (623) 256-8938.

Keep up to date at our website: www.azgmalumni.com