

THE CLUB REPORTER

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- * Meeting Attendance Continues to Grow
- * New Sub-Director Joins Club Leadership
- * Jim & Diane Harshman Returning for April 7th
- * Welcome New Members - John & Karin Tracinski

EDITOR'S WELCOME



Hello Alumni!

I'm glad to hear that many of us have now been able to get our COVID-19 vaccines – at least the first shot or have one scheduled. This will put us on a path to recovery and a return to some sense of normalcy as we go forward.

With the postponement of our previously scheduled January and February events, the Club was able to schedule and hold a special event at TOPGOLF on February 17th for a small group who enjoyed the camaraderie and some friendly competition

along with good food. A brief summary of the event can be found on page 5.

As we approach the end of the Club's 2020 – 2021 Program Year, the planned attendance at the March and April events look to be approaching numbers we have experienced in the past. It will be nice to again see many folks we have not seen in recent months. There is still an opportunity to sign up for our April events – the private Dolly Steamboat Dinner Cruise (but time is running very short) and the annual Golf Scramble. More details about these events can be found on pages 3 and 4.

The Club is looking forward to returning to a normal set of meetings and events for the 2021 – 2022 Program Year, and the Board of Directors already planning those events. The Club's Board is always looking for programs and activities that our membership enjoys. If you have any ideas of programs or events that would appeal to our membership, possibly something unique that you have experienced, feel free to pass it along to any Board Member for consideration in an upcoming Board Meeting.

I look forward to seeing you at a future meeting!

Enjoy!

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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Greetings GM Alumni,

The year 2021 is off to a great start and it's hard to believe we are nearing the end of our second month. Although we had to cancel our January and February club main events, we did manage to sneak in a few hits of the golf ball at TOPGOLF with several members of the club. As the state continues to make progress in vaccinating Arizonians, and with the number of COVID-19 cases on the decline, we have reasons for optimism as we welcome Spring in the next several months.

Our next event on Thursday, March 11, at the Arizona Broadway Theater (ABT) is holding strong and to date we have 43 people signed up to attend. This should prove to be a great opportunity to get out, hear some great music from the Musical Production of "Crazy for Gershwin", and enjoy lunch and the company of our fellow club members. Following this March event, we have two awesome April events: The Dolly Steamboat dinner cruise on Canyon Lake, and our traditional final event of the year - Golf Outing at Pebble Creek Golf Club in Goodyear. Please be sure to check the info in this newsletter to determine if you want to attend one or both events as we close out the year.

I want to also welcome Ron Terry to the board as a new sub-director to help in planning for events next year. Ron is a 2-year member of the club and will be a great asset to the team. Welcome, Ron!

As spring begins to blossom in AZ, our remaining three club events look positive enough to pencil them in on your calendar! To say 2020 has been a "crazy" year is an understatement, but know your GM Alumni Board is eager to continue to provide opportunities for members to gather, share comradery, and enjoy outstanding events.

See you all at the upcoming gatherings, and continue to Mask-Up AZ! Stay Safe!

Pete Langenhorst

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Welcome Spring!

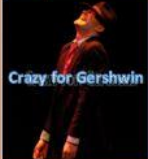




2020 - 2021 PROGRAM YEAR CALENDAR

March 11, 2021



Thursday, March 11, 2021 Matinee
Arizona Broadway Theatre
 7701 West Paradise Lane, Peoria

With the first low trill of the solo clarinet and its spine-tingling run up the scale, *Rhapsody In Blue* by George and Ira Gershwin caught the public's fancy and opened a new era in American music. Now, ABT fan-favorite Kurtis Overby has created a musical spectacular that will transport you back to the days when Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers danced across the silver screen to these classic Gershwin hits. This toe-tapping production will feature favorite tunes such as *I've Got Rhythm*, *A Foggy Day*, *Let's Call The Whole Thing Off*, and *S'Wonderful*, coupled with never before heard musical mashups and tap dancing galore. Who could ask for anything more! From www.azbroadway.org

Health & Safety Requirements include: Masks are required; Social Distancing in effect through reduced capacity; Regular Sanitation practices in effect. More details can be found at: FAQ.azbroadway.org

Matinee - 11:45 am Check-in
12:15 pm Lunch
2:00 pm Show Time

Meal - selections made from menu
Cost - \$65.00 per Member/Spouse or Significant Other
\$70.00 per Non Member

Registrations are due by February 17, 2021, with seating limited to the first 30 people to sign up.


Registrations for the March event have been closed and sold out as of February 17th.

Due to the positive response received from Club Members for this event, the Club was able to twice increase its available seating.


Club Members and guests are looking forward to enjoying this performance with such favorite songs as *Rhapsody In Blue*, *I've Got Rhythm*, *A Foggy Day*, *Let's Call The Whole Thing Off*, and *S'Wonderful*, coupled with never before heard musical mashups and tap dancing galore. They will be transported back to the days when Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers danced across the silver screen to these classic Gershwin hits.

Look forward to feedback from this event in the March Club Reporter!

April 7, 2021



CLUB DINNER CRUISE
Dolly Steamboat on Canyon Lake
Wednesday, April 7, 2021





4:30 pm Check-in
 5:00 pm Cruise Departs
 8:00 pm Cruise Returns

Cost: \$55.00 Member
\$75.00 Guest
Registration Date Extended
Registrations and Final Payments Due by March 1, 2021

Bus Provided from West Valley
 Sponsored by **Liberty Buick & Liberty GMC**
Pickup location and time yet to be determined

Our private dinner boat cruise at Canyon Lake offers you 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.

The **registration date** for the April 7th private dinner cruise aboard the Dolly Steamboat on Canyon Lake **closes on March 1, 2021, so there is still time to register.**

The twilight cruise will provide an experience you'll never forget, as you have a relaxing dinner while being able to observe the wildlife inhabiting the area around Canyon Lake.

Liberty Buick and Liberty GMC will provide complimentary bus transportation for those members and guests from the west valley. This is a private event, with a **maximum of 75 participants** in order to comply with the standard health and safety protocols currently in place. **Several openings are still available.**

Since you will not want to miss this exceptional event, remember to get your Registration Form found on page 6 submitted **by March 1, 2021.**

Club Members, **Jim and Diane Harshman** are coming back from Florida to join us at this event. Be one of those to greet them and catch up on old times.

2020 - 2021 PROGRAM YEAR CALENDAR (CONT'D)

April 14, 2021



Golf Team Scramble
April 14, 2021
PebbleCreek
Eagle's Nest Golf Course
3645 Clubhouse Dr, Goodyear, AZ 85395
7:30 am Registration – Tee Times starting at 8:00 am
With Luncheon & Awards to follow

Individual Contests
• LONGEST DRIVE
• CLOSEST TO THE PIN
• LONGEST PUTT
• TEAM LOW GROSS AND NET

Cost: \$75.00 Members
\$80.00 Guests

Registrations Due by April 1, 2021

The 2020-2021 Program Year will conclude with the Club's annual golf scramble. It will return this year to the Eagle's Nest Golf Course at PebbleCreek in Goodyear. This course was completely reworked last year and includes all new greens, sand traps, and fairways. It's in great shape with *FAST* greens.

Tee times will start at 8:00 am, since COVID protocols do not allow a shotgun start this year. Fees include 18 holes of golf, cart, and practice ball tokens, along with lunch, refreshments, awards, and a goody bag. Team and individual prizes will be awarded.

The event is open to men and women, low handicappers and higher handicappers. Form your own foursome, or sign up as an individual to be placed on a team. The scramble format gives everyone a chance to participate and enjoy a beautiful spring day on the golf course with friends.

A Registration Form can be found on page 7, with a due date of **April 1, 2021**.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Welcome to New Members,
John & Karin Tracinski,
who will be joining us at the March
11th Broadway Theatre and the
April 7th Dinner Cruise...

... and a big **THANK YOU** to Jim and Loraine Mottern for connecting John and Karin to the Club!

Remember that existing Club Members are the best ambassadors to recruit new members to join us.

Let's welcome them with open arms and make them feel at home!

FEBRUARY 17, 2021 - TOPGOLF

On February 17th, a small group of members met at the Glendale TOPGOLF facility for a special event to replace the postponed Dealer-Sponsored event. Those in attendance enjoyed being out and able to socialize, while enjoying some target golf and good food. Depending on membership input, this could be considered again in the future for a large group event. The venue appeals to golfers of all skill levels – from beginner to long-time golfer.



Photos Compliments of Alan Steffe

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. A complimentary bus service provided by Liberty Buick and Liberty GMC will provide transportation for those on the west side of Phoenix. There is a minimum requirement of 45 participants for the cruise to take place. **The final registration date has been extended to March 1, 2021** with any final payment also due at that time. 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

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EVENT REGISTRATION FORM DOLLY STEAMBOAT DINNER CRUISE ON CANYON LAKE April 7, 2021

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, 2021

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:

	<u>Total Cost</u>	<u>Amt. Included</u>	<u>Use Bus</u>
Member _____	\$55.00	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spouse _____	\$55.00	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Guest _____	\$75.00	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Guest _____	\$75.00	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total Amount 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).

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.
Your participation allows your photo to be used as part of Club Newsletters and promotions.



Special Event Golf Outing

Golf Fee of \$75.00 per Member (\$80.00 per Guest) Includes Golf, Cart, Lunch, & Prizes

- ✓ 18 Holes of Golf
- ✓ 8:00 AM Starting Tee Time
- ✓ Scramble Format (Min 3 drives each)
- ✓ 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 below.

GOLF

April 14, 2021

PebbleCreek/Eagle's Nest Golf Club 3645 W. Clubhouse Dr. Goodyear, AZ 85395
[Course completely redone last year!] (623) 935-6761

✓ Check-in Begins at 7:30 AM at the Check-in Table. Standard COVID Protocols in place. ✓

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Eagle's Nest Golf Club at PebbleCreek

	<u>GHIN Index</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Name _____	_____	\$ _____
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Name _____	_____	\$ _____
Name _____	_____	\$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Memo: PebbleCreek Homeowners will pay their own golf and only pay \$35.00 toward lunch and prizes.

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

Send checks and this completed registration form to:

Ken Wechselberger at 16002 W. Edgemont Avenue, Goodyear, AZ 85395



All checks must be received no later than April 1, 2021

